

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF
MINNESOTA

AT THE FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION HELD
AT ST. PAUL, JANUARY 20 AND 21.

1909.

OFFICIATING:

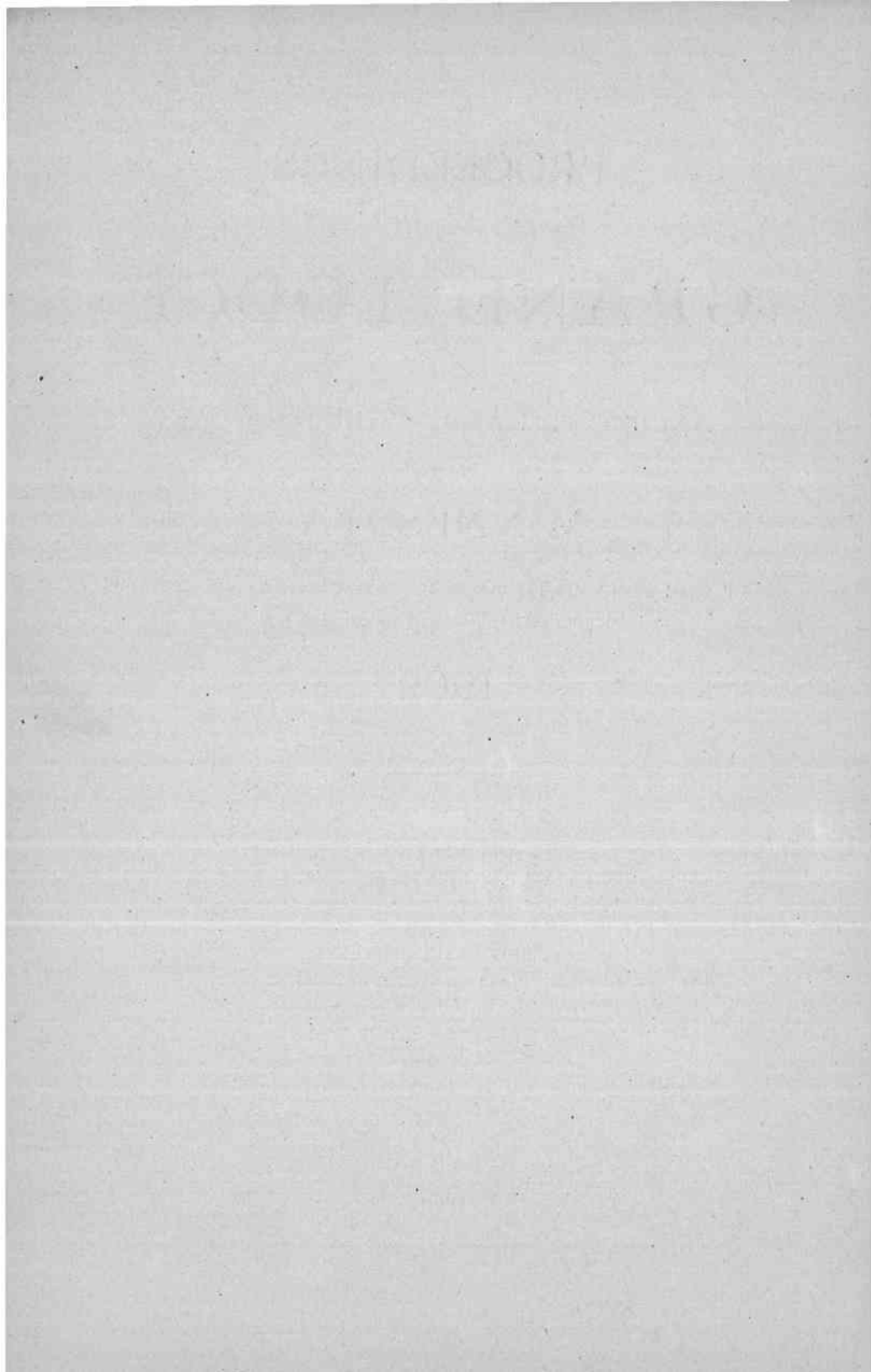
M.: W.: WILLIAM P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis, Grand Master.
R.: W.: JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ELECTED AND INSTALLED:

M.: W.: EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart, Grand Master.
R.: W.: JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

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OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

Installed January 21, 1909.

ELECTED.

M. W. EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart, Grand Master
R. W. WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth, Deputy Grand Master
R. W. ELMER A. KLING, Little Falls, Senior Grand Warden
R. W. OWEN MORRIS, St. Paul, Junior Grand Warden
R. W. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis, Grand Treasurer
R. W. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary

APPOINTED.

W. ROBERT E. DENFELD, Duluth, Grand Orator
W. HENRY NOBBS, St. Paul, Grand Chaplain
W. CHARLES E. BRADEN, Minneapolis, Senior Grand Deacon
W. JOHN Q. MACKINTOSH, Stillwater, Junior Grand Deacon
W. HIRAM C. BEAR, St. Charles, Grand Marshal
W. HERMAN HELD, New Ulm, Grand Standard Bearer
W. JACOB L. BERTHOLD, Perham, Grand Sword Bearer
W. HAYDEN FRENCH, Ortonville, Senior Grand Steward
W. HARRY M. BURNHAM, Jackson, Junior Grand Steward
W. OLIVER M. HENDERSON, Faribault, Grand Pursuivant
W. JOHN H. LUDWIG, St. Paul, Grand Tyler

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IVING TODD, Hastings. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.
A. O. EBERHART, Mankato.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis, Chairman.
WM. R. SMITH, Benson. JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.
HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul. JOHN COX, Duluth.

OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 13, 1908.

M. E. Comp. JEROME E. COOLEY, Duluth, Grand High Priest
M. E. Comp. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary

OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 12, 1908.

M. I. Comp. ALBERT BUSH, Minneapolis, Grand Master
M. I. Comp. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Recorder

OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 29, 1908.

R. E. Sir Knight CHAS. E. OVENSHERE, Minneapolis,
..... Grand Commander
E. Sir Knight JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Recorder

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1909+4000=A. .L. . (Anno Lucis—year of light) 5909.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D.
1909+530=A. .I. . (Anno Inventionis—year of discovery) 2439.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1909+1000=A. .Dep. . (Anno Depositionis—year of deposit) 2909.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus:
A. D. 1909-1118=A. .O. . (Anno Ordinis—year of the Order) 791.

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OF MINNESOTA.

FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20, 1909.

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall on Fifth Street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Wednesday, January 20, A. D. 1909, A. L. 5909.

All the Grand Officers were present except the Junior Grand Steward. Bro. O. W. Hunt (43) was appointed acting Junior Grand Steward. During the session 230 Lodges were represented out of 248 on the roll.

The M.: W.: Grand Master appointed all District Deputy Grand Masters present, to assist the Grand Deacons.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master William P. Roberts, Bro. Geo. E. Satterlee, Grand Chaplain, offering prayer.

Grand Secretary Fishel appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Chas. P. Montgomery (185) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: John Fishel, Grand Secretary, E. C. Shibley (191) and C. P. Montgomery (185).

Proxies were called for and handed in to the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted as he called the roll, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present, and entitled to seats, 17 Grand Officers, 16 permanent members, 24 District Deputy Grand Masters, and 359 Representatives of 229 out of 248 active chartered Lodges, including 92 proxies as follows:

GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. William P. Roberts.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan.....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. William B. Patton.....	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling.....	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. John Fishel.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. William C. Odell.....	Grand Orator
W. Bro. George E. Satterlee.....	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Owen Morris.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Leslie A. Hanes.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Robert E. Denfeld.....	Grand Marshal
W. Bro. William A. Hawkins.....	Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. Elbert W. Rossman.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. Frank J. Meyst.....	Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. O. M. Hunt.....	as Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. Russell Spicer.....	Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. John H. Ludwig.....	Grand Tyler

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters—Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Gideon S. Ives, Ambrose D. Countryman, Henry R. Adams, Wm. A. McGonagle, Henry M. Tusler, Thomas Morris, Gustaf Widell.

Past Senior Grand Wardens—Samuel E. Adams, Edgar Nash,

Past Junior Grand Warden—James D. Markham,

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

No. 2, Leonard H. Rice; 3, James A. Robinson; 5, Wm. Barber; 6, E. H. Sherwin; 7, J. P. McGinty; 8, J. Q. Mackintosh; 9, Walter Dixon; 10, O. C. Hanson; 11, J. W. Johnson; 12, Wm. Bushnell; 13, George E. Swift; 14, John K. Robinson; 15, Charles Mitchell; 16, James E. Dean; 17, G. W. Diepenbrock; 18, August F. Truwe; 19, W. H. Tomlinson; 21, Wm. A. Hawkins; 22, F. W. Damp; 24, E. P. Rutan; 26, O. M. Henderson; 28, John McCabe; 29, John J. McCaughey; 31, J. N. Thatcher; 34, F. E. Gartside.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES 1909.

No. 1.	St. Johns.....	Ira E. King, W.'. M'. Carl E. Hawkins, S.'. W'. J. Q. Mackintosh, proxy for J.'. W'.
No. 2.	Cataract	Wm. G. Whitcomb, W.'. M'. W. H. J. Pearce, proxy for S.'. W'. Joseph Armstrong, J.'. W'.
No. 3.	St. Paul.....	Thos. P. Edwards, W.'. M'. A. J. Willard, S.'. W'. R. T. Gourley, J.'. W'.
No. 4.	Hennepin	Ralph D. Webb, proxy for W.'. M'. Frank S. Pool, S.'. W'. Al. L. Hazer, J.'. W'.
No. 5.	Ancient Landmark.	Mark O. Nelson, W.'. M'. Jas. D. Denegre, S.'. W'. A. P. Swanstrom, proxy for J.'. W'.
No. 7.	Dakota	A. E. Johnson, W.'. M'. Irving Todd, proxy for S.'. W'.
No. 8.	Red Wing.....	H. J. Herder, W.'. M'. S. T. Irvine, J.'. W'.
No. 9.	Faribault	J. S. Seeley, W.'. M'. W. A. Richards, S.'. W'. D. E. Goodman, proxy for J.'. W'.
No. 11.	Mantorville	J. M. Cooper, W.'. M'. Frank T. Currier, J.'. W'.
No. 12.	Mankato	F. W. Bates, W.'. M'.
No. 14.	Wapahasa	Jos. Buisson, proxy for W.'. M'.
No. 16.	Monticello	Thos. H. Bertram, W.'. M'. W. H. Eaton, proxy for J.'. W'.
No. 18.	Winona	Charles Kroeger, S.'. W'. Louis Lawrence, J.'. W'.

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- No. 19. MinneapolisChas. E. Braden, W.'. M'.
G. Dayton Adams, S'. W'.
A. E. Clarendon, J'. W'.
- No. 20. CaledoniaF. B. Collins, W'. M'.
F. A. Duxbury, proxy for S'. W'.
- No. 21. RochesterTheo. A. Schacht, W'. M'.
M. A. Gaskill, J'. W'.
- No. 22. Pleasant Grove ...C. L. Denny, W'. M'.
- No. 23. North StarA. H. Leimbacher, W'. M'.
James E. Jenks, S'. W'.
- No. 24. WiltonWm. M. Griffith, W'. M'.
Ralph D. Davidson, S'. W'.
- No. 26. Western StarL. J. H. Land, W'. M'.
- No. 27. Blue Earth Valley.E. O. Gulbranson, S'. W'.
A. Milne, proxy for J'. W'.
- No. 28. Clear WaterChas. D. Whittemore, W'. M'.
- No. 29. Morning StarJ. W. Welch, W'. M'.
- No. 30. AnokaJohn P. McGinty, proxy for W'. M'.
Frank Hart, proxy for S'. W'.
Frank Gillis, J'. W'.
- No. 31. King HiramWm. Denning, J'. W'.
- No. 32. SakatahA. E. Hasler, W'. M'.
- No. 33. Star in the East...M. J. Brown, W'. M'.
C. W. Burdick, proxy for S'. W'.
E. A. Brown, J'. W'.
- No. 34. OrientalJames A. Filson, W'. M'.
John A. Nelson, S'. W'.
Russell J. Doebler, J'. W'.
- No. 36. PrestonThos. I. Garratt, W'. M'.
Wm. R. Wells, S'. W'.
- No. 37. Mystic TieThos. H. Bunn, W'. M'.
- No. 38. WashingtonH. W. Severns, proxy for W'. M'.
D. C. Gardner, proxy for S'. W'.
Chas. E. Wheeler, J'. W'.
- No. 39. FidelityPeter Hanson, W'. M'.
- No. 40. CarnelianAlbert Roberson, W'. M'.
- No. 41. HermonP. W. Mook, W'. M'.
- No. 42. HopeHenry L. Simons, W'. M'.
- No. 43. HarmonyO. W. Hunt, W'. M'.
- No. 44. King SolomonNot represented.
- No. 45. UnionGeo. J. Diener, W'. M'.
- No. 46. EvergreenJ. E. Gerry, W'. M'.
- No. 47. ConcordWm. Vanantwerp, W'. M'.
W. C. Davis, proxy for S'. W'.

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- No. 48. SocialJ. M. Walden, W.'. M.'.
 J. S. Way, Jr., S.'. W.'.
 D. M. Strang, J.'. W'.
- No. 49. Rising SunJames W. Hart, W.'. M'.
- No. 50. WatertownNot represented.
- No. 51. AcaciaIrving T. Morey, W.'. M'.
 Peter Thompson, proxy for S.'. W'.
 George F. Tibbetts, J.'. W'.
- No. 52. Cannon RiverGeorge Malm, W.'. M'.
 L. M. Hollister, proxy for S.'. W'.
 H. D. Widrick, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 54. NicolletG. F. Merritt, proxy for W.'. M'.
- No. 55. ZionNot represented.
- No. 56. MeridianWm. H. Ball, W.'. M'.
- No. 57. Blue Earth City...F. V. Cummings, W.'. M'.
 J. H. Sprout, proxy for S.'. W'.
- No. 58. Spring ValleyE. G. Washburn, W.'. M'.
 G. M. Warren, proxy for S.'. W'.
- No. 59. TempleJay H. Burns, W.'. M'.
 J. A. Tmey, proxy for S.'. W'.
 H. A. Burns, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 60. Star in the West...Eugene A. Richards, S.'. W'.
- No. 61. AshlerF. S. Seymour, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 62. StarD. R. Thompson, W.'. M'.
- No 63. IllustriousE. E. Smith, W.'. M'.
 G. R. Hall, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 64. Chain LakeB. H. Curtis, S.'. W'.
- No. 66. MadeliaJ. E. Haycraft, W.'. M'.
 E. H. Drake, proxy for S.'. W'.
 M. S. Dorsey, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 67. CorinthianE. L. Brackett, proxy for W.'. M'.
- No. 69. Mystic StarA. K. Hanson, Jr., W.'. M'.
- No. 71. PaynesvilleThomas C. Johnston, S.'. W'.
- No. 72. LansingNot represented.
- No. 75. EurekaFoster L. Roy, S.'. W'.
- No. 76. JoppaWm. B. Falancer, W.'. M'.
 Frank H. Griffin, S.'. W'.
- No. 77. TuscanNot represented.
- No. 78. Mystic CircleE. O. Abrahamson, W.'. M'.
- No. 79. PalestineA. C. Volk, W.'. M'.
 G. A. Taylor, S.'. W'.
 Chas. A. Brown, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 80. HendersonNot represented.
- No. 81. ConstellationJ. J. Volker, W.'. M'.

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- No. 143. Lakeview James Newton, W.'. M'.
Hayden French, proxy for S.'. W'.
- No. 144. Bird Island L. E. Sherwood, S.'. W'.
- No. 145. Melrose H. C. Maguren, proxy for W.'. M'.
- No. 146. Benton W. W. Bliven, W.'. M'.
- No. 147. Canby H. D. Reed, W.'. M'.
- No. 148. Quarry Geo. D. Rice, W.'. M'.
- No. 149. Guardian C. T. Hall, W.'. M'.
- No. 150. Warren Geo. E. Keenan, W.'. M'.
- No. 151. Chaska W. C. Odell, W.'. M'.
- No. 152. Frontier D. J. Jones, W.'. M'.
W. M. James, proxy for S.'. W'.
- No. 153. Kodahya L. C. Bigelow, proxy for W.'. M'.
- No. 154. Norman L. N. Lee, J.'. W'.
- No. 155. Tracy Not represented.
- No. 156. Wadena Julian A. Sedgwick, W.'. M'.
Frank R. Stedman, J.'. W'.
- No. 157. Perham S. Friedman, W.'. M'.
- No. 158. Hector A. B. Anderson, W.'. M'.
- No. 159. Long Prairie Wm. M. Barber, W.'. M'.
- No. 160. Plymouth F. M. Acker, W.'. M'.
Geo. W. Hall, proxy for S.'. W'.
E. W. Diercks, J.'. W'.
- No. 161. Sincerity James W. Carpenter, W.'. M'.
- No. 162. Prescott A. W. Wells, proxy for W.'. M'.
- No. 163. Summit J. H. Beck, W.'. M'.
R. B. Ware, proxy for S.'. W'.
Geo. G. Whitney, J.'. W'.
- No. 164. Jasper Andrew M. Matson, W.'. M'.
- No. 165. Minnehaha H. Stanley Hanson, W.'. M'.
John M. Merritt, J.'. W'.
- No. 166. Garnet T. L. Bourquin, W.'. M'.
J. C. McCreight, S.'. W'.
E. A. Bacon, J.'. W'.
- No. 167. Agate Ben Baker, W.'. M'.
- No. 168. Braden John F. Pratt, W.'. M'.
Albert Ihm, S.'. W'.
Louis A. Muessel, J.'. W'.
- No. 169. Pierson Not represented.
- No. 170. Fulda John Bachman, W.'. M'.
- No. 171. Shekinah Robert B. Burns, W.'. M'.
Ross R. Miller, S.'. W'.
A. G. Pinkham, proxy for J.'. W'.
- No. 172. Marietta J. M. Snyder, S.'. W'.

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| No. 173. | Plumb Line | J. G. Reeves, W.' M.' |
| No. 174. | Valley | H. J. Wood, W.' M.' |
| No. 175. | Roman Eagle | Not represented. |
| No. 176. | Ark | John C. Lauber, W.' M.' |
| No. 177. | Rough Ashlar | Paul Buetow, W.' M.' |
| No. 178. | Anchor | J. H. Miller, W.' M.' |
| No. 179. | King David | W. H. Leak, W.' M.' |
| No. 180. | Osakis | K. Swore, proxy for W.' M.' |
| No. 181. | Dalles | W. J. Campbell, W.' M.' |
| | | H. M. Dixon, S.' W.' |
| No. 182. | Fair Haven | Harry Kurz, W.' M.' |
| | | John A. Ferguson, S.' W.' |
| | | William O. Sterling, J.' W.' |
| No. 184. | Shell | F. N. Shephard, proxy for W.' M.' |
| No. 185. | Midway | C. N. Orr, W.' M.' |
| | | Albert J. Wallace, S.' W.' |
| | | C. P. Montgomery, proxy for J.' W.' |
| No. 186. | Ionic | C. B. Miller, W.' M.' |
| | | H. W. Richardson, S.' W.' |
| | | W. N. Totman, J.' W.' |
| No. 187. | Arcana | Wm. A. Gulick, W.' M.' |
| | | Chas. W. Ringer, S.' W.' |
| | | W. H. Ronald, proxy for J.' W.' |
| No. 188. | Fortitude | Not represented. |
| No. 189. | Traverse | Jared Burton, W.' M.' |
| No. 190. | Triune | A. L. Ries, W.' M.' |
| No. 191. | Mizpah | T. G. Micheltmore, W.' M.' |
| | | Allen Fitch, S.' W.' |
| | | E. C. Shibley, proxy for J.' W.' |
| No. 192. | Crow River | Not represented. |
| No. 193. | Amboy | S. T. Lamas, W.' M.' |
| No. 194. | Canton | F. B. Hudson, S.' W.' |
| No. 195. | Renville | N. L. Johnson, W.' M.' |
| | | Geo. A. Lumley, S.' W.' |
| No. 196. | Geneva | James H. Chalmers, W.' M.' |
| No. 197. | Vermilion | E. J. Morcom, W.' M.' |
| No. 198. | Euclid | David Graham, proxy for W.' M.' |
| No. 199. | Murray | C. A. Norton, W.' M.' |
| No. 200. | Zenith | J. S. Shrader, S.' W.' |
| No. 201. | Kenyon | Albert Mohn, S.' W.' |
| No. 202. | Atelier | C. W. Paige, S.' W.' |
| No. 203. | Stewartville | V. E. Smith, W.' M.' |
| No. 204. | St. Elmo | J. H. Bong, W.' M.' |
| | | Andrew Rae, proxy for S.' W.' |
| | | Alex. G. McKnight, proxy for J.' W.' |

- No. 268. Roseau George M. Stebbins, W.'. M'.
 No. 269. Eagle Bend Wm. H. Byman, S.'. W'.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

- A. Brandenburg.....for Alabama, Michigan and Belgium
 Wm. A. Nolan.....for British Columbia
 O. M. Henderson.....for Connecticut
 E. E. Swan.....for Cuba
 Henry R. Denny.....for Delaware
 J. D. Markham.....for District of Columbia
 John Fishel.....for England
 Wm. P. Roberts.....for Florida
 Wm. B. Patton.....for Georgia
 Gustaf Widell.....for Idaho
 A. T. Stebbins.....for Illinois and Prince Edward Island
 Wm. S. Combs.....for Indiana
 C. P. Montgomery.....for Ireland
 Calvin L. Brown.....for Kansas
 Henry R. Adams.....for Maine
 Elmer A. Kling.....for Maryland
 Henry R. Wells.....for Mississippi, North and South Dakota
 W. A. McGonagle.....for Missouri, Ohio and West Australia
 A. D. Countryman.....for Montana and South Australia
 A. G. Pinkham.....for Nebraska
 Thomas Morris.....for New Brunswick and Washington
 John H. Sprout.....for New Hampshire
 David W. Knowlton.....for New Jersey
 Henry M. Tusler.....for New South Wales, Tennessee and Utah
 Wm. C. Odell.....for New York
 Alex. G. McKnight.....for New Zealand
 I. B. B. Sprague.....for North Carolina
 Gideon S. Ives.....for Oregon
 E. H. Sherwin.....for Queensland
 Hugh E. Grant.....for Saskatchewan
 Irving Todd.....for South Carolina
 C. W. Stites.....for Tasmania
 Wm. A. Hawkins.....for Texas
 Samuel E. Adams.....for Vermont
 Charles L. West.....for West Virginia

JOHN FISHEL,

E. C. SHIBLEY,

C. P. MONTGOMERY,

Committee.

The Grand Master called up the Grand Representatives of Foreign Jurisdictions, greeted them with the Grand Honors, and requested each to convey to the Grand Lodge which he represented the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge.

M. . W. . Bro. Nathan C. Giffin, Past Grand Master of Wisconsin, was announced and the Grand Master directed all Past Grand Masters present to retire and escort him into the hall, where he was received with the Grand Honors and formally greeted the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until 2:30 p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20, 1909.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m. Officers as before.

Grand Master Roberts appointed the following committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

P. . G. . M. . Henry R. Adams (119), A. H. Leimbacher (23), W. G. Whitcomb (2).

FINANCE.

P. . G. . M. . A. T. Stebbins, Ralph D. Webb (4), E. H. Sherwin (16).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters Wells, Denny, C. L. Brown and Countryman.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

P. . G. . Ms. . McGonagle and Tusler, P. . D. . G. . M. . West, P. . J. . G. . W. . Markham, D. R. Thompson (62), Irving Todd (7).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

P. . G. . M. . Brandenburg, A. T. Fiddes (90), M. O. Nelson (5), E. E. Smith (63), C. E. Braden (19).

APPROPRIATIONS.

P. . G. . M. . Widell, A. C. Volk (79), S. S. Smith (101), E. W. Rossman (56), J. A. Sedgwick (156).

LODGES U. D.

P. . G. . M. . Morris, C. B. Miller (186), J. C. Burchard (119), Grier H. Thompson (255), S. C. Rea (114).

PAY ROLL.

G. . Treas. . Knowlton, S. B. Washburn (112), J. C. Lauber (176).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

J. H. Sprout (57), John Cox (186).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

P. . S. . G. . Ws. . Adams and Nash, Geo. E. Swift (265).

Grand Master Roberts read the following address, which was referred to the Committee on Address of Grand Master, for division and reference:

ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

By the goodness of our Heavenly Father, to whom we have reverently lifted our hearts in thanksgiving, we are once more assembled in Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. Having already largely greeted each other heartily as brethren should, let us proceed conscientiously to the duty of this gathering.

As required by law, I lay before you an account of my official acts and of the condition and needs of the Fraternity in Minnesota, with certain recommendations.

The Grand Standard Bearer, W. Bro. William A. Hawkins, the

Grand Junior Steward, W. Bro. George D. LaBar, and the Grand Pursuivant, W. Bro. Russell Spicer, had left the Grand Lodge a year ago before their appointments were announced and so were not then installed. I immediately notified them at their homes and requested that they be installed in their respective Lodges. This was accordingly done by a Past Master in each case.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

The two Lodges for which charters were voted a year ago, were duly constituted, as follows:

On February 26, 1908, I personally constituted Eagle Bend Lodge, No. 269, at Eagle Bend, assisted by Bro. Wm. M. Barber of No. 159, as D. G. M.; Bro. Howard Lufkin of No. 23, as S. G. W.; Bro. T. R. Watson of No. 41, as J. G. W.; Bro. J. C. Miller of No. 102, as S. G. D.; Bro. R. H. Harkins of No. 159, as J. G. D.; Bro. A. B. Church of No. 209, as Grand Chaplain; Bro. F. B. Nutting of No. 159 as S. G. S.; Bro. James Johnstone of No. 82, as J. G. S., and Bro. Charles Hamilton of No. 159, as Grand Tyler, and duly installed their officers, with Bro. Joel E. Roman as first Master under the charter. The occasion, in spite of severely inclement weather, was most enjoyable and the brethren, of whom there were many visitors, enthusiastic. After installation the Lodge proceeded to an examination of four candidates in the E. A. degree, and then duly passed them to the F. C. degree. A complete Code of By-Laws was read and adopted. After the Lodge formally closed, all repaired to the hotel near by and partook of a sumptuous repast.

On March 5, 1908, Past Grand Master Alonzo T. Stebbins, acting as my proxy, assisted by Past Grand Master Thomas Morris, and others, constituted Roseau Lodge, No. 268, at Roseau, and installed their officers, with Bro. Dr. J. B. Muir as first Master under the charter,—a son of Bro. Stebbins being one of the Wardens of the new Lodge. Bro. Stebbins reported that the Lodge was well officered by intelligent and earnest brethren. Everything was done to make this visit of Bros. Stebbins and Morris pleasant and long to be remembered.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

Early in April I received a petition from twenty-three brethren at and near International Falls, for a dispensation for a Lodge at that place, to be known as Koochiching Lodge. After careful investigation of the character of the several petitioners and of the outlook,—the latter both by correspondence and a personal visit to

the place,—believing conditions there, including the situation of the petitioners and the promising future outlook of that new county seat, at a great water power, warranted a Lodge, on June 1st I directed a dispensation to issue, with Bro. J. E. Burdick, a Past Master of our Mantorville Lodge as W. M. and George A. Snyder and H. A. McCormack as Wardens. Both of the latter had had official experience in Masonic work.

During the summer I received a petition from a large number of brethren of Coleraine, Itasca County, where the big new Canisteo iron mine is being opened, for a dispensation for a Lodge at that place, to be known as Canisteo Lodge. After careful inquiry into the character of the petitioners, both by correspondence and personally, after meeting many of them face to face in Coleraine, and canvassing the situation with them there, on September 7th I directed a dispensation to issue, with Bro. J. A. Vandyke, Past Master of our Corner Stone Lodge No. 99 at Fergus Falls, as W. M.; Bro. August Johnson, of Itasca Lodge No. 208 as S. W., and Bro. D. D. Grier as J. W. As yet the brethren are pretty cramped for quarters, but after consultation with brethren who should know the future prospects of the Iron Range generally, I was convinced that the Lodge must do well in Coleraine, and would be of great advantage in the early life and growth of that community.

On September 23rd, I received a petition from numerous brethren at and near Spooner, Roseau County, for a Lodge at that place, to be known as Osiris Lodge. After making my usual investigations by letter and otherwise, as to the character of the petitioners and the future prospects as well as present outlook for the town, and becoming satisfied it was for the best interests of the Fraternity, on October 21st I directed a dispensation to issue, with Bro. C. R. Middleton, an old past Master, as W. M., and Bros. Albert Berg and J. E. Russ as Wardens. I made a trip to Winnipeg for the purpose of visiting Spooner before granting this dispensation, but was unfortunately summoned home by the death of an intimate friend, and so was unable to visit Spooner for such personal investigation. It was a great disappointment to me not to do so, as I had planned to visit the locality which called for a lodge in every case before granting their request, rather than accept the personal, and perhaps too enthusiastic, views of petitioners therefor.

Each of the foregoing Lodges, I am informed, has had work, which they have intelligently and efficiently performed. The records showing their "work," etc., are present at this Annual Communication for your inspection and investigation, and from the reports which I have had from those disinterested and competent to judge, I bespeak for each of these three Lodges favorable consideration and

charters at your hands, unless something shall appear to indicate that further delay and a continuance of the dispensations of either is the better course. Each of these three Lodges was recommended by the nearest Lodge to it before dispensations were issued.

Besides the foregoing, on December 16th, I received a petition from numerous brethren in and near Cambridge, Isanti County, for a dispensation for a lodge at that place. Cambridge is a substantial county seat, with which I have been quite familiar, as well as with the county itself, for many years, by reason of visits there upon professional business. My first thought was that the strong antagonistic influence of a certain religious denomination in that county would make it inadvisable to attempt a Lodge. But the brethren there assure me, and in this they are supported by one familiar with conditions there and in whose judgment I have great confidence, that they have canvassed that situation thoroughly and that there is not now the objection in that quarter to secret societies which formerly existed. I have just completed my investigations as to the character of the petitioners and their ability to manage a Lodge, but as it is too late for them to present "work," etc., for your inspection I will place in the hands of my successor such information with regard to them as I have gathered and allow him to deal with the matter of dispensation.

Early in my term I was informally advised that a petition was in preparation for a Lodge at Pine River, and proceeded to make inquiry as I made my trips in the northern part of the state, of brethren who knew the place, as to the advisability of granting such request should it reach me. That petition was presented to the nearest Lodge for recommendation, but has in fact not been filed with me. The results of my inquiries, however, were such that I must have declined to issue the dispensation. The future outlook was not promising enough, in my judgment, to warrant planting a Lodge there. If, by any chance, the iron industry should actively extend to that place, it may alter the situation.

In July I was called upon by brethren from Mahanomen, the county seat of our new Mahanomen County, in the interest of a Lodge there, which many brethren desired. I have twice personally visited the place to counsel with them, and believe it to be a proper location for a Lodge whenever there are sufficient brethren of proper attainment and character to conduct a Lodge. Unfortunately, about half of the brethren now there are railroad men, who cannot well be depended upon to officer a Lodge, because of the nature of their work in and out of the place, and that they never know how long the place is to be their home. They are otherwise enthusiastic, and of good character and intelligent, and there is a

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255, as Grand Treasurer, Bro. Fishel, Grand Secretary, Hugo, No. 79, as Grand Orator, Bro. Rev. Frank Dugan, as Grand Chaplain, Bro. E. K. Coe, No. 79, as S. G. D., Bro. Trenerry, No. 255, as J. G. D., Bro. Denfeld, Grand Orator, C. R. Woods, No. 171, as Grand Standard Bearer, Bro. Shaue, No. 372, Michigan, as Grand Sword Bearer, Bro. Poole, No. 239, as S. G. S., Bro. Frank Hicks, No. 186, as Grand Orator, D. F. Wadsworth, No. 255, as Grand Pursuivant, and Bro. Higbee, No. 255, as Grand Tyler, I opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge, in the hall of Mesaba Lodge, No. 255, at that place, and escorted by Duluth Commandery No. 255, the Knights Templar and Mesaba Lodge, proceeded to the site of the new City Hall of Hibbing and laid the corner stone thereof, according to the ancient customs of Masonry. There was a large attendance of brethren and citizens for the exercises. The acting Grand Orator gave an interesting and appropriate reminiscence of which was well received. After the ceremonies a banquet was served in a public hall, where speeches and music were heard. With the abundant spread, and your Grand Master brought a beautiful silver trowel suitably inscribed, presented to him by the Board, as an additional reminder of the very enjoyable

occasion invited by Winona Lodge No. 18, for the purpose, on November 1st, assisted by Bro. Swan, D. G. M., Bro. Patton, S. G. W., Bro. J. G. W., Bro. E. W. McCord, No. 217, as Grand Treasurer, Bro. Fishel, Grand Secretary, Bro. George P. Tawney, No. 18, as Grand Orator, Bro. Rev. Joseph J. Hillmer, No. 18, as Grand Orator, Bro. John Druey, as S. G. D., Bro. Oliver W. Hunt, No. 18, as S. G. D., Bro. Will Hayes Laird, No. 18, as Grand Marshal, Bro. Kins, Grand Standard Bearer, Bro. Rossman, Grand Sword Bearer, Bro. Nath. Becksted, No. 46, as S. G. S., Bro. James L. Finch, No. 31, Bro. James R. Morton, as Grand Pursuivant, and Bro. Higbee, as Grand Tyler, I opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge in the hall of Winona Lodge, and escorted by Bro. Higbee with two hundred brethren in line, to the splendidly located site of the new Masonic Temple there being erected, laid the corner stone thereof, in accordance with the ancient customs of the Order, and the fine music by a mixed double quartet led by the new Attendant General of Minnesota, Bro. Simpson, was provided. The oration by the acting Grand Orator was an eloquent and a well-merited effort. The day was fine, and the attendance of citizens as well as brethren, local and visitors, was large. A banquet was served for all at six p. m. in the hall of the Lodge, and some dancing followed. The Grand Master was presented with a

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beautiful silver trowel by the Lodge, appropriately inscribed, to make sure that he should never forget the delightful occasion and ceremony.

Dispensations were duly issued to the Lodges participating for all the foregoing ceremonies, to turn out as such, and in regalia. For the very great courtesy of Grand Commander Ovenshire and Grand High Priest Houghton, as well as the several local commanderies, in furnishing escorts upon the several occasions named, I have already formally expressed my thanks, as I have especially to Sir Knight John T. Black of Duluth. The latter, upon the occasion of the corner stone laying at Hibbing, took his commandery seventy strong from Duluth by special train as an escort for the Grand Lodge. I again repeat my thanks for these courteous escorts.

I have this observation to make in connection with the subject of corner stone layings:—That our brethren generally ought to remember that the reputation of the whole Fraternity is at stake upon such public ceremonial occasions. It is a great courtesy extended to our Fraternity to be requested to conduct the formal exercises of initiating a building, if the structure happens to be a church or public building. No small matter of business or other thing should be allowed, therefore, to prevent any brother from attending in regalia and marching in line upon such occasions. Every Lodge within a reasonable distance at least, ought to help make such occasions memorable, by being there with full ranks.

Besides the foregoing corner stones actually laid, I duly accepted formal invitations to lay the corner stone of the new Temple of Euclid Lodge in West Duluth, and of the splendid \$60,000 High School of Madison, Lac Qui Parle County. The former was to have occurred in August, but the engagement was cancelled by the Worshipful Master, before the notices had been issued to the Grand Lodge. The Madison ceremonial was to have taken place on July 4th, but the invitation had been so long delayed, that when those in charge learned what was essential to such a public ceremony appropriately conducted, they concluded it impossible to arrange properly for it without delaying the building, which they did not feel warranted in doing, and it too was called off.

During the summer I was requested by Saint Paul Lodge No. 3 to grant a dispensation for themselves and other St. Paul Lodges to appear in public for the formal ceremony of "breaking ground," for St. Paul's new Masonic Temple, and about the same time was asked by Past Grand Master Tusler to prepare a simple and appropriate ceremony to be used upon that occasion. In compliance with that request I did prepare a service, which may be used for such purpose anywhere, either as prepared or with modifications, if de-

sired. I am informed the service was used by our St. Paul brethren on July 14th last, and was afterwards filed with the Grand Secretary, where it can be referred to if occasion ever requires. My effort was to prepare such a service as would not infringe upon the more solemn and important corner stone laying of that new Temple which will undoubtedly occur the coming spring.

DEDICATIONS.

On April 3, upon the invitation of Mesaba Lodge No. 255, assisted by Bro. H. R. Burgo, No. 186, as D. G. M., Bro. Patton, S. G. W., Bro. O. H. Higbee, No. 255, as J. G. W., Bro. C. B. Gilbert, No. 79, as Grand Treasurer, Bro. W. N. Trenerry, No. 255, as Grand Secretary, Bro. Clarence B. Miller, No. 186, as Grand Orator, Bro. Rev. Frank Durant, No. 255, as Grand Chaplain, Bro. M. E. Pearce, No. 255, as S. G. D., Bro. W. G. Williams, No. 255, as J. G. D., Bro. T. W. Hugo, No. 79, as Grand Marshal, Bro. W. G. Shane, No. 372, Michigan, as S. G. S., Bro. C. R. Woods, No. 171, as J. G. S., Bro. Charles E. Young, No. 255, as Grand Standard Bearer, Bro. D. F. Wadsworth, No. 255, as Grand Sword Bearer, Bro. James Kelly, No. 79, as Grand Pursuivant, and Bro. John Horkey, No. 264, as Grand Tyler, with Bro. F. A. Kent, No. 79, as "Master of the oldest Lodge," and Bros. J. H. Nelson, B. A. Rowe, W. E. Talboys and Richard Webb, all of No. 255, carrying the Lodge, I opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge, for the purpose, in the preparation room of Mesaba Lodge, and proceeded thence to the hall of that Lodge, where the Grand Lodge was formally received with grand honors. I then proceeded to and did dedicate said hall to the purposes of Free Masonry in ample form. The hall was filled with enthusiastic brethren, including many visitors. The whole event was interesting and never to be forgotten. But evidently to make certain that it should not be forgotten, the Lodge presented your Grand Master with a fine loving cut suitably inscribed as a memento of the occasion.

On July 20, upon the occasion of an official visit I was making to Sandstone Lodge No. 234, at Sandstone, I was unexpectedly called upon to dedicate their new hall, in which they met the first time that night, to the purposes of Free Masonry. I accordingly filled the grand offices with local brethren and visitors present, opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge for the purpose in the preparation room adjoining and proceeded thence to the hall of the Lodge, where Grand Honors were given the Grand Lodge, and I then proceeded to dedicate that hall in ample form. The brethren who thus assisted me were: Albert S. Webb, Alex-

ander Kelly, Homer P. Dredge, Thomas Houston, Ebenezer Holbert, William Aiken, Richard J. Colvin, Henry S. Aken, Charles Edsten, Gus E. Westberg, Gustaf A. Kuncke, Albert Olena, and Wm. A. McEachran.

On the evening of January 16th inst., at the request of Ark Lodge No. 176, assisted by Bro. W. B. Patton, as D. G. M., Past Grand Master Countryman as S. G. W., Past Grand Master Tusler as J. G. W., Bro. B. L. Smith, No. 165, as Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary Fishel, Grand Chaplain Satterlee, Bro. F. H. McCuskey of No. 180 as Grand Orator, Bro. F. J. Meyst of No. 2 as Senior Grand Deacon, Bro. James G. Houghton of No. 4 as Junior Grand Deacon, Bro. G. Dayton Adams of No. 19 as Grand Marshal, Grand Stand-bearer Hawkins, Grand Sword Bearer Rossman, Bro. W. G. Whitcomb of No. 2 as Senior Grand Steward, Bro. N. R. Cushing of No. 160 as Junior Grand Steward, Bro. Gus A. Petri of No. 112 as Grand Pursuivant, Bro. A. S. Woodruff of No. 224 as Grand Tyler, Bro. C. H. Brinsmaid of No. 176 oldest past master of that Lodge, and Bros. Hugh R. Scott, No. 176, J. Q. Macintosh, No. 1, Ralph D. Webb, No. 4, and Henry Hahn of No. 19, to bear the "Lodge," I opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge in Preparation Room of Ark Lodge's new temple, for the purpose, and proceeded thence to the hall adjoining, where the Grand Lodge was received with the honors of Masonry by said Lodge, and then solemnly dedicated that hall to the purposes of Free Masonry in ample form. The attendance of the brethren of the Lodge, as well as of visitors from both city and state, was large and enthusiastic, and the event will never be forgotten by any who participated therein. The Oration delivered by Bro. James S. Montgomery, D. D., was eloquent and appropriate in every respect. Music added to the attractiveness of the ceremony. Ark Lodge, as well as the other Masonic Bodies which inhabit that new home of Masonry, are very happy and well may be in so splendidly equipped and beautifully furnished surroundings.

THE CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

Carrying out in a measure a determination made when I was honored by election to this responsible position, I have during the past twelve months, visited Lodges in nearly every section of the state, and have met therein many of the brethren of other Lodges. My sole regret is that I was unable to arrange for visits to many others, by reason of two illnesses which practically incapacitated me during whole of the months of March and May, when I naturally could have found our Lodges at "work." The principal object and

in the journal of proceedings. Such examining committee must never under any circumstances prompt a visitor whom it is examining to so much as a syllable, much less a word. If he cannot prove himself by the method of our lectures, he should be required to at least in his own way, prove his regularity, or else should be denied the privileges of visitation. It is not too much to also ask, of an entire stranger to any of the brethren, that he produce a late receipt for dues or an identification card which many of our Lodges now annually issue, or some other written voucher under seal, to show that he belongs to a regular Lodge. In this day, too, when our land is surfeited with fraternities of all kinds, and every one of us is too much inclined to be "a joiner," no Mason should thoughtlessly vouch for even his best friend if not entirely sure, that it has been in a Masonic Lodge and not in some other organization, that he has sat with the person so vouched for. It is better to take the trouble and insist upon an examination, in every case of possible doubt.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

I gratefully acknowledge the faithful attempts of most of my District Deputies to perform their prescribed duties. Whenever specially called upon by me, to make investigations they have promptly and fraternally responded. If it was at all clear that the formal reports of our Lodges which they have sent in, were the result of their personal investigations, and not simply of their requests to the secretaries of the several Lodges, to fill a blank, I should have no hesitancy in saying that the deputy system of Minnesota was a valuable adjunct to the proper administration of the interests of Masonry in this jurisdiction. My observation, however, is that more often than otherwise, the blank report is simply handed the secretary, with request that he fill in the answers, or that the deputy sits down with the secretary, and jots down himself the data given him by the secretary without so much as a personal glance himself at the books of the Lodge, from which, in most cases, correct answers must come. Reports so made, could just as well be called for directly by the Grand Secretary and accompany the annual returns, and trouble and expense be saved. The reports received this year are valuable as tabulating in a way the condition of the Lodges from which received,—197 of them out of our total of 248 Lodges, from 29 of our 34 District Deputies. The Deputies failing to send in Lodge reports are: Bros. Aamodt of the 4th District, Hayden of the 20th, Crandall of the 23rd, McCabe of the 28th and Hanson of the 33rd. Reports from only eleven Lodges in

the districts, which did report, are missing. The delinquent deputies above named were recommended by the representatives from their respective districts a year ago. If brethren so located don't know what to expect of their nominees, how can a Grand Master, much farther away usually, know what to expect of such appointees? It is more important to get a competent brother who can and will give his time for this important work, than to merely compliment a brother, (who cannot give the time,) with a commission which he simply pigeon-holes.

One intention of these reports is to get uniform information as to the business concerns of the Lodges. Another is to have the deputies give their personal observations, as to the method of conferring degrees and the general conduct of the Lodges. It is never intended that the deputies criticise or correct the officers in their "work." That may well be left for our Custodians. Even the Grand Master may well hesitate to make many such corrections, and what even he makes were better suggestions, to be confirmed by an inquiry of a Custodian. The instructions to deputies, sent out with their commissions, expressly warn them not to attempt correction in "work." Yet many of the reports indicate that this admonition was at least overlooked, and that the "attention" of some officers was called to what some deputy thought to be a departure from the true work, instead of reporting such supposed discrepancies to the Grand Master if thought important enough. Both District Deputies and the Grand Master as a rule, are long enough passed the Master's chair as not very likely to be more correct than the Master of a Lodge.

These District Deputy Lodge reports disclose some things which should be called to your attention, and to the attention specifically of the Lodges themselves. Very few Lodges seem to require bonds of the Treasurer and Secretary,—only 24 out of 197 reporting. Every good business institution today requires those of its officers and employes who handle its money, to enter into bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties. Our Lodges as a rule cannot well afford to be less strict in their affairs. No brother is so honest or financially strong, as to even care to be trusted in such matters. Bonds from the Treasurer are often now rendered unnecessary by a By-Law of the Lodge requiring all funds to be deposited by the Secretary in a bank designated by and in the name of the Lodge, and to be withdrawn therefrom only upon a combination order—check—which must have the signatures of Master, Secretary and Treasurer. But it is best that Secretaries who collect all the moneys of a Lodge should always be under bond with approved sureties.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

Intimately connected with the condition of the Craft, is the work of our Custodians. Custodian Tusler, upon the private request of Kellogg Lodge No. 122 held a School of Instruction at that place early last winter. He reports much interest and a good attendance.

Upon the request of the Lodges in the 20th District I authorized Custodian Smith to hold a three days' school with Florence Lodge, at Wood Lake in March. The school was well attended by representatives from the Lodges in the District and it is believed much good was accomplished. I had expected to attend this school and should have done so but for my unfortunate illness that month before mentioned.

Upon the request of Columbian Lodge at Heron Lake and agreement of many other Lodges in the 23rd District, I authorized Custodian Sprout to hold a three days' school at Heron Lake last week. Bro. Sprout reports a good attendance and intelligent attention by the officers and brethren of many of the Lodges in that locality.

The usual school of instruction has been held by the Custodians this week, and they were present in St. Paul to hold such school on Saturday last but found few present to instruct. They held a school, however for three days. This school has been attended by many representatives who came here for the purpose before the meeting of this Annual Communication. The detailed report of the Custodians will present further details of their work during the past year. If we are not to have a Grand Lecturer, certainly we should have more schools and a larger attendance upon such as we do have.

DISPENSATIONS.

As authorized by our Constitution, I have granted dispensations whenever requested, for changing the meeting places of Lodges, after being assured that facilities for safe-guarding the records, etc., of the Lodge, required by our regulations (Par. 208, p. 215, Code) in cases of joint occupancy of halls, existed.

In one case I granted a dispensation for the election of officers where the time fixed for the same by the By-Laws had been allowed to pass, and in two other cases for the election of Wardens, where the brother elected at the regular time, declined to accept the election and be installed.

I granted dispensation for one of our old Lodges to sublet its

hall, which had previously been dedicated to the purpose of Free Masonry, it appearing upon investigation, that the changed conditions and circumstances of the Lodge, made it an unreasonable tax and burden for them to pay the rent and support the hall alone. Previously a chapter of R. A. M. divided the burden, but the latter has disbanded.

I also granted dispensation to a Lodge to permit the Annual State Convention of the order of Red Men, to be held in the hall of the former, full notice having been given to the brethren of the Lodge of the request for such use, and no one opposing the vote by which it was agreed, in this case, to extend the courtesy.

DISPENSATIONS TO EXCEED CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT
IN CONFERRING DEGREES.

While I have had many requests from Lodges for dispensations to make more than "five new brethren at the same time," as fixed by Art. IV, Sec. 22 of the Constitution, and to confer the F. C. and M. M. degrees upon more than five at the same meeting, as fixed by our Regulation of 1896, p. 51, (Par. 256, p. 221, Code,) I have granted them but seldom. Nearly all of these requests came either without statement of the necessity for a departure from the express judgment of the Grand Lodge that "five" should ordinarily be the limit, or gave the "convenience" of the Lodge or of their officers, or the lessening of "expense," as a reason. My view and understanding of the law limiting the number who can thus be made, is that "five" is considered the most who can be decently or intelligently obligated at a time. "Five" is the solemn adjudication which has come down to us through the Ancient Constitutions. It is a determination of our most ancient of Fraternities, (which, unlike any other, has never permitted the booming or advertising of its privileges in any manner, and which denounces primarily all solicitation of petitions for our degrees, or even suggestions toward that object, as un-masonic,) that "work" on a greater number, cannot be well done, and therefore, ordinarily should not be allowed. It is the obligation which makes the Mason, whether E. A., F. C. or M. M. The best Mason will be one to whom the obligation is most intelligently and instructively given, other things being equal. I have been told, that some jurisdictions permit but one to be obligated at a time. Our Minnesota "work" seems in fact to provide for only one. Every Mason thinking seriously for a moment, will agree that a lone obligee at the altar will be immeasurably more impressed with the solemnity and instructiveness of the ceremony and obligation than it is possible, by contrast, for a crowd of candidates as-

following decisions, upon questions of Masonic law submitted to me, from time to time during the year:

1. A traveling man's legal home after marriage is where his wife lives and where she is supported by him, and to which place he returns when his business permits, although that business may keep him elsewhere the greater part of his time, unless such man has continued to claim his residence where it was before marriage, in another town, and continued to vote there, and his wife for convenience simply continues to live with her own parents, in which case his home will be considered where he still votes, and his petition for degrees belongs in that place.

2. If an otherwise qualified petitioner for the degrees of Masonry has legally resided for one year and voted in a town, his petition belongs there.

3. Only men, 21 years of age and otherwise qualified, are eligible for the degrees of Masonry, and the residence of such a man, whether married or single, depends upon his own movements and intentions, and never primarily upon the residence of his parents with whom he may at some time have made his home. If such unmarried man leaves the home of such parents temporarily, without intending to change his residence and intending to return thereto, and in fact does nothing while away (as by exercising the voting franchise) to indicate a contrary intention, his home and residence will be presumed to have continued with his parents and he may petition for our degrees there.

4. A Lodge cannot be called from labor to refreshment and separate until another day.

5. A Masonic Lodge as such, should not join with an un-masonic organization in the ownership of a Lodge room or building. If joint ownership with other organizations seems necessary, a corporation outside the Lodge should be formed to manage the matter. Then the Lodge as such will not be involved financially and it cannot possibly get mixed up in any partnership disputes.

6. A Master of a Lodge has the right to remove an appointed officer thereof who has been installed, but who, since such installation, has willfully failed to attend the Lodge, and such Master may thereupon appoint another brother to fill the office for the unexpired term. The records of the Lodge should be made to show the removal, the reasons therefor and the new appointment.

7. When a brother who has been stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues is re-instated, he takes his old Lodge and Grand Lodge numbers.

8. A member of a Lodge in this jurisdiction, against whom charges were preferred, trial had, and who was indefinitely suspend-

ed by a Lodge in a foreign jurisdiction, and from which suspension the accused has appealed to the Grand Lodge of that jurisdiction, is entitled to no privileges of Masonry anywhere, except the right to prosecute his appeal, and his Lodge here should not accept dues from him pending such appeal.

9. It is not allowable that Masons or Masonic Lodges, as such, take part in any public anniversary or observance, in church or elsewhere, which is not in the sole control of the Fraternity. The test of the propriety of Lodges participating in public exercises of any kind is that a Symbolic Lodge controls the service or exercise.

10. Either hand may be used in voting.

11. The minutes of a Lodge cannot be amended after they are formally approved.

12. One who has been regularly elected to receive the degrees of Masonry in this jurisdiction and after receiving his E. A. degree is tried in regular proceedings and suspended for five years, is still a member of and amenable to the Lodge so electing him at the expiration of the term of suspension. And if such E. A. thereafter petitions a Lodge in a foreign jurisdiction (without disclosing his status with the first mentioned lodge,) and is elected and receives all our degrees in that foreign Lodge, he is guilty of unmasonic conduct, for which the Lodge here should proceed against him.

13. If their By-Laws do not prohibit such use of Lodge funds, and there is no sentiment against such use among the members thereof, a Lodge may as an act of charity furnish a room in a private hospital to be known as the "Masonic Room," but such Lodge must not obligate themselves to maintain it.

14. Unless the By-Laws provide to the contrary, a lodge has the right, under the Constitution (Sec. 25, Art. 4) without dispensation from the Grand Master, to fill vacancies in the office of either Treasurer or Secretary however such vacancies may have occurred.

[The above decision was first made, and then repeated, upon application for dispensation to hold elections where a treasurer or secretary had resigned, after simply reading the constitutional provision referred to, and applying thereto the well known canon for construction of laws, that the specific inclusion of some officers named shall be deemed to exclude all others,—in this case. I only discovered the previous approved decision of this Grand Lodge,—in 1869,—that an elective officer cannot resign, since this report was begun. I find such previous decision is supported by Mackey's Masonic Jurisprudence, on the principle there laid down, that as an elective officer takes an obligation for a year, he cannot be allowed to throw up the job. Such reason would prevent a public officer

of any organization, from resigning. But it has never been held in any such case that a man might not resign. He is responsible until he turns over all property to his successor, of course. The reason has never been any stronger, (and from the nature of things cannot be,) in Masonry than elsewhere. There is absolutely no word in our installation obligation to support the reason laid down by Mackey. On the contrary, there is every reason, why the secretary or treasurer should be allowed to resign and quit an office which he can no longer fill, and thus permit his Lodge to protect itself, by filling that office with some brother who, if he proves himself competent, will be continued therein by the Lodge. This would not follow upon a personal appointment made by the Master. The language of our Constitution, above referred to, plainly permits a Lodge to fill *any vacancy*, except in the offices of Master or Warden. Besides said Constitutional provision, the form of By-Laws in the Code, expressly permits a secretary or a treasurer to dimitt. A dimitt, so far as the Lodge is concerned, is a resignation of membership. If membership is gone, the office certainly is. The decision of 1869, p. 47, should be overruled and omitted from future editions of the Code. This will do away with a senseless conflict between our Constitution, which is plain, and innumerable Codes of By-Laws approved by many Grand Masters, on the one side, and a decision directly contrary to the Constitution on the other.]

15. Where an elected officer of a Lodge refuses or declines to accept an election or to be installed, it is competent for the Master to declare that there has been no election, obtain a dispensation for an election and proceed to fill the vacancy thereat.

16. Installation is necessary in Masonic usage to consummate an election. Masonry does not require a brother to accept an office.

17. It is unmasonic for a Lodge to demand a fee of another Lodge which requests it to confer our degrees upon a candidate, unless the requesting Lodge suggests it. Such "work" is done, if at all, as a fraternal courtesy.

18. The Grand Lodge has supreme power under the Constitution over any matter which may concern the general welfare of the Craft, and so may adopt any measure, which will promote such welfare. (Art. III, Secs. 9 and 13.)

19. A resolution duly adopted has the force of a Regulation of this Grand Lodge. (Art. II, Sec. 4, Par. 3rd and Sec. 7.)

20. The action of this Grand Lodge prohibiting Lodges from charging affiliation fees, is not a decision so-called, but in fact a Regulation, and is of general rather than local concern. Its object is to bring into our membership as many non-affiliates as possible.

21. As a non-affiliate can apply for membership anywhere he chooses, the rule that no affiliation fee shall be charged, cannot possibly affect injuriously the financial affairs of the local Lodge.

22. The action of the Grand Lodge in 1907 as to life membership certificates, had the effect to repeal any lodge By-Law permitting the issuance of such certificates, except only where a member pays dues in the Lodge for twenty-five consecutive years. It, of course, does not affect any certificates purchased before such action of the Grand Lodge was taken. The intention of the Grand Lodge was to prevent a Lodge from financially crippling itself.

23. A dimit cannot legally be granted pending charges.

24. A brother regularly applying for a dimit by letter, and enclosing his dues for the current year, which the Secretary receives during that year, is entitled to the dimit, if free of other charges, notwithstanding the application therefor may not be formally laid before his Lodge until the beginning of a new year.

25. When a life member dimits he loses all rights he ever had in the Lodge from which he dimits. If he subsequently rejoins that Lodge, he does so as any other non-affiliate and his second election thereto gives him the same and no more or different rights and standing, than any other non-affiliate in the same circumstances, and he must pay dues thenceforth in that Lodge, as if he had not so before been a member thereof.

26. The use of the terms "past honors" and "past titles" in Masonry, means simply that the brother to whom the terms are applied has filled a certain Masonic office until his successor was installed. Except as making a member who has so filled the office eligible to fill some other office, by reason of possessing the experience gained in such past office, (as to be called to preside) or eligible for a like reason to perform certain functions which an ordinary Master Mason cannot perform (as to install the officers of a Lodge), Masonry recognizes past rank and past official honors only as a courtesy to the brother who may have had such experience.

27. While such brother cannot demand it, Lodges should fraternally recognize his past honors and past rank always.

28. A non-affiliate holding a dimit from a Lodge in this jurisdiction, who is again elected to membership, whether in the Lodge from which he so dimitted or another, receives a new lodge number but not a new Grand Lodge number.

29. A Lodge which has illegally assumed to "suspend" a member for non-payment of dues, instead of striking him from the rolls, should restore him to the rolls without petition, by the simple order of the Master to be shown on the minutes of the Lodge.

notify each of the Lodges having jurisdiction, of the mistake, and that they have stopped advancement. They should also advise the E. A. that he must petition for and get his advancement, if at all, in some Lodge having jurisdiction of his petition.

51. An E. A. who since his initiation has lost his right leg below the knee is not disqualified, by that fact, for advancement.

52. A petitioner for our degrees whose right foot has been amputated about the middle of the instep, is eligible.

53. A petitioner for our degrees who is totally blind cannot meet the essential requirements of Masonry and a Grand Master has no power to set aside those requirements by dispensation.

54. One who, as a boy, was found guilty and sentenced to a re-form school from which he was subsequently released, is not by that fact ineligible to petition for, and if elected, receive our degrees.

55. A member of any Lodge can object to the initiation by his Lodge of a candidate for another Lodge, and "work" on such candidate will thereby be stopped in the objector's Lodge, if the Master is convinced that the objection is sufficient.

56. The Master of the electing Lodge in such case, should treat the objection lodged with the Master of the other Lodge as lodged with himself.

57. If, however, the objecting brother declines to specifically state his objection when requested by the Master of either Lodge, such Master is not obliged to pay any attention to the objection but may proceed to confer the degrees, notwithstanding.

58. When a candidate's advancement is stopped by an objection which the Master deems sufficient, charges must be formally preferred, and the fact that the present whereabouts of the accused is unknown, is no excuse for not promptly having such formal charges submitted to the Lodge and an investigating committee appointed.

59. The Master of a Lodge must recognize and make effective an oral or written objection to a petitioner by an absent member thereof. It does not matter when that objection is made, if after the petition is filed with the Lodge, and the Master must declare the petitioner rejected by objection when the report of the investigating committee is filed.

60. The action of a Master,—after receiving a written objection from an absent member of the Lodge, to the election of a petitioner for our degrees,—in declaring the petitioner elected, is absolutely void and to then proceed to initiate such elected petitioner, notwithstanding such objection, is illegal.

61. When such objection is lodged with the Master, it is his duty to declare the petitioner rejected by objection, without a ballot, and the minutes of the Lodge should show such fact.

62. When a By-Law of a Lodge requires a petition for degrees or membership to be "referred to a committee, of whom a majority shall be resident of the town or village, where the petitioner resides, wherever practicable," the term "wherever practicable" means that, if there are brethren of the Lodge living in such town or village and who are not recommenders of the petitioner, a majority of the investigating committee must be composed of such brethren, and the fact that such brethren may not be present when the petition is read, is no reason that such absent brethren of the Lodge, residing in such town or village, should not be appointed upon such committee, and they must be, to comply with said By-Law.

[The four decisions last above, grew out of the following facts: A lodge in a small country village receives and duly refers two petitions for degrees of Masonry at the first meeting in December, 1907. Brethren of that lodge who live in the village (nine miles away across country), in which the petitioners hereinafter mentioned also live, are present at the time the petitions are filed and then orally inform the Master, as well as some members of the investigating committee appointed, that the petitioners were objectionable and not fit material for our degrees. These brethren also filed written objections with the Master of the Lodge. In order to make certain that their objections might not be overlooked, although living so far away, the brethren managed to attend every stated communication of that Lodge, twice a month, from the date the petitions were filed until the meeting of February 5, 1908. When the new Master of the Lodge for 1908 was installed, they made the same objections to him orally and later in writing. The investigating committees did not report at the first stated meeting after their appointment, and did not apply for and were not given further time but withheld their reports and failed to make them until the meeting of February 5, 1908. That night was one of the most inclement experienced last winter. The objecting brethren, because of the weather, failed to attend that night. The investigating committee having reported favorably, were discharged, both petitioners given the benefit of a ballot, which being clear, the Master, ignoring the written as well as the oral objections previously made to him, declared them elected. The Lodge worked another degree, (than E. A.,) that night after their regular business, and then, (some one having gotten in telephone communication with the elected petitioners nine miles away, in the meantime,) the latter presented themselves to the Lodge at a late hour that night and were initiated. The news reached the absent objecting brethren nine miles away the next morning from a "profane", to whom the transaction had evidently been tipped off, as a good joke on the objecting brethren, and in which the latter had been over-matched.

annoyance of requests and solicitations from other Lodges, (generally at the instigation of a petitioner or some of his friends,) that it waive its rights, may defeat a secret ballot which our law above quoted requires to be taken in the jurisdiction of the first named Lodge, and may often work injury to the Lodge interested and the Craft. Lodges and members usually do not care to even seem to be captious in dealing with such requests. In view of the clause of the resolution last above quoted, (which I italicise) there really seems to be no excuse for making the request. No Lodge will refuse to confer degrees for another upon a candidate who really desires and requests that it be done.

Notwithstanding the above law of the Grand Lodge I find several of my predecessors seem to have assumed the right to modify the foregoing law, by decision. I suspect originally it may have been done to help out a given case where a Lodge had innocently taken material which did not belong to them, and was so made as the best way to settle the illegality. If so, the decision had best not have been reported as such.

Resolutions of this Grand Lodge are termed By-Laws, (Const., Art. II, Secs. 4 and 7, and Art. VIII, Sec. 47.) The last section provides:

"The Grand Master has power within this jurisdiction—* * * 7th. To exercise all such powers as are warranted or required of him by the Ancient Regulations, or Customs of the Craft, *Provided always, that he shall have no power to suspend the operation of any By-Law of this Grand Lodge.*"

If a Grand Master cannot suspend a By-Law, he certainly had no legal power to modify or amend or dispense with the force of such By-Law by decision or otherwise. (See par. 322, Code.) And no Lodge can do what a Grand Master cannot do in such case. I accordingly made the foregoing decision which in fact overrules those above referred to.]

65. Masonry does not permit a collective ballot upon several candidates for its degrees, and a ballot so taken is illegal and void.

[To permit such a collective ballot would defeat the ancient and continuing Masonic rule which entitles every member of the Lodge to have and be protected in a secret ballot against each candidate and every petitioner to be balloted for upon his own merits and not to be prejudiced by association, with other petitioners on such ballot.]

66. Such void ballot must be disregarded, and a legal ballot taken, at the first stated communication after such illegality is discovered.

67. The report of an investigating committee upon a petition for degrees or membership, cannot be withdrawn after it is filed, by request of such committee.

68. It is the best practice for Lodges of our jurisdiction to fraternally accede to the request of Lodges of foreign jurisdictions to complete unfinished work, upon candidates for our degrees, which may come to them with the approval of the Grand Master of the foreign jurisdiction.

69. While the authority of a Lodge U. D. ends with the opening of the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, (unless the dispensation is continued) any petition received, referred, or favorably acted upon or work done by the Master and Wardens under dispensation, may be treated as regularly done, and when the Lodge is subsequently chartered and constituted, it may proceed to work, or to finish unfinished work upon such petitioners or candidates U. D. without requiring new petitions, reference, etc., from them, just as if the petitioners had been acted upon or the previous work done by such newly constituted Lodge, itself.

70. It is permissible in this jurisdiction, where more than one candidate is being raised at one meeting, to abbreviate somewhat the dramatic work upon all but one, but that abbreviation should not cut out so much as to affect the substantial truth of the answers contained in the several sections of the lecture of the M. M. degree.

71. Unless a By-Law requires the advancement of a candidate for degrees to be had in a given time, an E. A. of several years standing, who has not been advanced, because of his own neglect to present himself therefor, and who has been guilty of unmasonic conduct, cannot be denied advancement except upon regular charges, investigation and trial.

72. The Wardens repeat the salutation given them by a candidate. The Senior Deacon must see that the latter correctly salutes before passing.

73. A Mason who is now engaged in the sale of intoxicants as a beverage, (as by tending bar, or otherwise) is guilty of unmasonic conduct and is subject to charges, investigation, trial and discipline.

74. The mere fact that a member of the Lodge engages in the retail liquor business, does not affect his Lodge membership, further than to subject him to charges and discipline therefor.

75. No other evidence of a charge of unmasonic conduct specifying the tending of a saloon bar, is necessary than to prove that fact.

76. When the Master of a Lodge is the accuser in charges against a member of the same Lodge, a committee of investigation appointed by the former, may legally act, inasmuch as that com-

mittee has no discretion but to take and report all the evidence bearing upon the charge.

77. When the committee is ready to report and the Lodge must be summoned for the trial, the Master as accuser being under "disability," and the Senior Warden should sign the summons as acting master.

78. At the time of trial, the Senior Warden is entitled to the chair, but it is proper and advisable that he call some Past Master of experience to the chair to preside during the trial, and indeed to decide whether the report of the committee presents anything for the Lodge to act upon.

79. A member under charges for unmaasonic conduct, is entitled to visit and participate in all the business of his own Lodge, pending such charges, except to vote upon the latter.

80. Smoking in a Lodge while it is at labor is a disorderly act, and the Master of a Lodge has the right to prohibit it by his own order, and to enforce such prohibition. Many Masonic Lodges wisely prohibit it in their By-Laws.

81. The trial of a brother against whom charges are preferred must occur at a stated meeting of the Lodge, but to which the members must be duly summoned. But if a quorum is not present the meeting may be called off from day to day under Reg. Sec. 82.

82. The petition of a man who can see perfectly with one eye but whose other eye has been removed, (and a glass eye substituted perhaps,) if otherwise qualified, may be received, and if favorable action follows, may become a Mason.

[This decision was made to bring again to the attention of the Grand Lodge, and have again construed, the language of the Constitution—"hale and sound, not deformed or dismembered," (sec. 9 Const.). The decision is directly contrary to one approved by this Grand Lodge in 1890, and again last year.

In 1883 the Grand Lodge approved a decision, construing the above words of the Constitution, by the use of the following language: "but that * * * can, if made a Mason, readily do all that can be required of him." The decisions made before that date, had gone along the same line,—as in 1877, p. 12; in 1880, p. 15; in 1882, p. 17 (see Code par. 244, p. 219),—without hinting a reason for the rule. Even the decisions stating what disability will disqualify,—1880, p. 15; 1882, p. 17; 1883, p. 20; 1887, p. 28,—(par. 243, p. 219 Code) emphasize just as strongly the reasons, for those several decisions turn upon the inability of the petitioner to meet some requirement of our obligations or ceremonies. The basis so adopted for determining whether a given petitioner is qualified physically, is whether he can meet the requirements of our ceremonies or obli-

gations. It is not whether he is physically perfect. This decision of 1890 and last year (that the loss of an eye ball) disqualifies, is the only instance in this jurisdiction of a departure from the basis which had otherwise been consistently followed from the formation of the Grand Lodge, so far as I have discovered. The decision of 1877 was on the loss of the sight of an eye. In that of 1890 there was the loss not only of such sight but also of the eye ball itself. As the petitioner could not see out of a sightless eye ball, and the Grand Lodge had already seven years before, determined that not physical perfection but ability to perform our requirements was the proper test, I am persuaded the Grand Lodge made that decision without proper or sufficient consideration, and that either we should overrule all the decisions which allow an imperfect physical man to be qualified or we should overrule the decision of 1890 and last year above referred to, and get our standards down to a consistent and single basis. A man will be much handsomer to say the least with a glass eye made to match the perfect one, than he can possibly be with a sightless one.]

83. A notice of motion that "all brethren more than three years" in arrears for dues will be stricken from the rolls at a date named, is not sufficient. The notice must give the names of all brethren whose cases are to be acted upon, at the date specified.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

I have approved complete sets of By-Laws for Roseau Lodge No. 268, Eagle Bend No. 269, Melrose No. 145, Sakatah No. 32, Lincoln No. 226, and Ancient Landmark No. 5, as well as certain amendments of By-Laws of minor importance as follows: For Anchor No. 178, changing the time of meetings to 1st and 3rd Tuesdays; Chisago No. 232, changing stated meetings to 1st and 3rd Saturdays; Mankato No. 12, increasing F. C. and M. M. fees each \$5.00 and annual dues to \$3.00, and striking out provision for collection of dues by Stewards; Euclid No. 198, changing stated meetings to 2nd and 4th Wednesdays; Kenyon No. 201, changing the time of meetings to the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, at 8 P. M. from April 1 to October 1, and 7:30 P. M. balance of year; Constellation No. 81, making fees \$10 for petition, \$5.00 for E. A. and F. C. and \$10.00 for M. M. degrees, and dues \$4.00; Prairie No. 123, fixing the annual meeting at the first meeting in December; Ark No. 176, providing for the election of trustees and their duties and the duties of Tyler; and Mesaba No. 255, fixing the salary of the Secretary and Tyler at \$1.00 each for each meeting attended.

little of that) of being recognized by regular Masonry, in that territory, has since, in 1906, agreed that all its subordinates should surrender their charters and take new ones from Valle de Mexico, and they have done so. To indicate the further true Masonic instincts of that Grand Lodge, it has withdrawn recognition and Masonic intercourse with Brazil. The Scottish Rite no longer permits the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry to be conferred by its Bodies in that territory, and the subordinate lodges, of the Valle de Mexico, do not practice, control or have any connection with any other than the three symbolic degrees, in any other way than does this Grand Lodge perhaps, in its resolutions of 1890 defining what Masonic societies it recognizes as legitimate—if indeed so much. There may be a possible rival in that territory, in the so-called Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz, but I do not suspect the latter possesses any symptoms of regularity which we need consider a moment.

The following American Grand Lodges now recognize this Mexican Grand Lodge: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Virginia and West Virginia.

Among other Grand Lodges also recognizing it are: England, Scotland, Canada, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, New Zealand, New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria and New Brunswick. Shall Minnesota, then, still insist, with some of our sister Grand Lodges, that the first condition laid down in the Michigan report of 1905 also must be literally and technically complied with, before according recognition to Valle de Mexico? If so, I am frank to say that it is more than doubtful—is wholly improbable—that the condition can ever be met, or that regular Masonry from that standpoint, at least, will ever exist in Valle de Mexico.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico claims to be the heir and natural offspring of regular Masonry introduced into that country by the then minister from the United States to Mexico, in 1825. That was a troublous date for Masonry generally, and it probably is impossible to make technical proof. The able brethren of our sister jurisdictions, who insist upon literal genealogy, have, so far as I have discovered, done little more in the way of disputing the claims of Valle de Mexico to legitimacy, than to express a doubt, and throw some "Scottish Rite" dust into the controversy. I shall not attempt to prove legitimacy; I am not looking for flaws but trying to learn whether the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico shows today that it is upholding our Masonic Landmarks, etc., and is likely to continue to do so, and not discredit us if we recognize them.

That Grand Lodge claims that the Grand Lodge "Nacional Mexicana," which came into being by the efforts of the American Minister to Mexico, in 1825, after a tumultuous existence, became defunct about the beginning of our late Civil War, and that all of its Lodges except one—La Union Fraternal in the city of Mexico—also had ceased to exist by 1865. That surviving lodge was said to have done business simultaneously in four languages at that time. Some enterprising Mason that year advised a resuscitation of Masonry in Mexico by the organization of a new Grand Lodge there, and as there was but that one lone Lodge, he induced it to divide itself into three Lodges, "split" our objecting brethren charge, one to work in Spanish, one in French and the other in German or perhaps English—three of the four languages formerly used in transacting the business of that one Lodge. And with these three new units for Lodges, a new Grand Lodge, now known as Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, was formed. It is objected that these three "units" had no charters, or only one between them, and were not regular Lodges, and that therefore anything they attempted to do was irregular and by the same token, cannot be made regular, and so the Grand Lodge should not be recognized.

As a practical man and Mason, I want regular recognizable Masonry in Mexico, because in my judgment the best interests of our whole Fraternity, and especially those of hundreds of our brethren in Mexico, demand it. If we must wait upon technical proof of regularity, and the production of charters, or of a regular genealogy back to York, 1717, there will never be any regular Masonry there to recognize. Those who organized the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico probably felt the human need of our Masonic institution in 1865, and, with a condition and not a mere theory confronting them, did the best they could to solve the problem. They seemed to have assumed that they were the sole survivors of regular Masonry in Mexico, that, being so regular, no regular Grand Lodge (outside of Mexico) had a Masonic right to invade or intrude into that territory, and so, if there was to be any future of legitimate Masonry there, it must come out of that one lone Lodge—La Union Fraternal.

If that assumption was warranted by even a fair stretch, then that Lodge had as much right as a Grand Lodge elsewhere, over undisputed territory, to find some way to bring into being a new Grand Lodge. It must have had the right then to split up, or to organize such Grand Lodge without splitting up,—out of its own loins, in either case. It could also employ the means necessary to accomplish its purpose—of forming a Grand Lodge. It may safely be assumed then (if that is considered necessary to regularity),

that it even issued charters, for no other body existed with such authority. We may assume the three "units," then, were acting with authority, in so attempting to start regular Masonry on its way again in Mexico, and, for the purposes of the present inquiry, that they succeeded fairly well in accomplishing that result. The three units which formed Valle de Mexico then, I suspect, had as much chartered existence as the four lodges which formed the Grand Lodge of England in 1717. So far as I have learned, only one Grand Lodge in the meantime seems to have assumed that Mexico was without legitimate Masonry and therefore unoccupied Masonic territory. Missouri chartered "Toltec" Lodge there. Since, however, (while still insisting it had that right), Missouri withdrew its charter from Toltec Lodge, and directed it to unite with another body in Mexico, which has since been absorbed by the present Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. It has today some forty active Lodges—19 of which work in English. Americans and English speaking Masons are going into that country by hundreds every year. They are as good Masons as we in America, many of them from our own state. They all need, and we should help give them, if we can, the opportunity of Masonic social intercourse and fellowship there, with all the helpfulness which these bring. It does not seem to me that the interests of our Fraternity demand that we longer quibble over legitimacy there, as there is no regular Masonry disputing the claims of Valle de Mexico, in that territory, and I therefore recommend that that Grand Lodge be recognized and an exchange of representatives be fraternally requested.

I have been unable to look into the claims of Chile, and make no recommendation as to that country.

MASONIC CODE.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence a year ago, recommended that the question of an appendix to the "Masonic Code" be deferred until it was determined to whom the copyright of the Code belonged. That matter was not referred to any one, but upon the suggestion of Past Grand Master Wells, I took the matter up with the executrix and the family of our late Grand Secretary, Bro. Montgomery, in whose name the copyright seemed to rest, and am glad to report that they agreed, without hesitation, to, and now have, assigned all the right, title, interest and claim of Bro. Montgomery's estate in that book and its copyright to the Grand Lodge. That assignment accompanies, but is not made a part of this address, but to be filed in the Grand Secretary's office. I recommend that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered Mrs. Montgomery

and her children, who, without questioning our right, remedied an otherwise legal problem by such assignment.

The edition of the Code is practically exhausted and a new edition should be provided for at once. Before that is done, however, the work needs a thorough overhauling and revising. It was originally prepared hurriedly by one who had little or no experience in such work, and while too much engrossed with the daily routine of the Grand Secretary's office. In many things the work can now be simplified and improved. There are many things in it which Masonic usage does not sanction in such place. The arrangement of matter may possibly be advantageously changed, and the matter itself, differently digested, and the index enlarged. With this first edition for ground work, we ought now to get out a much more creditable and satisfactory second edition, if there is not too much haste. I therefore recommend:

That a committee of three be appointed to prepare and superintend the preparation of a new and revised edition of the Masonic Code of Minnesota, with authority to make such revisions, omissions, and rearrangement of matter as may seem best, without modifying any action taken by this Grand Lodge, and with such enlargement of index, or addition of other matter, as to that committee may seem appropriate, and that when so prepared, the same be submitted to, and if approved by the Grand Master, that they secure a copyright thereof in the name of the Grand Lodge and that a new edition of 500 copies shall be thereafter immediately printed and published by the Grand Secretary for the Grand Lodge, under the supervision of said committee; that when so printed the Grand Secretary shall furnish free to each member of said committee and to the elective officers of the Grand Lodge, and to each subordinate Lodge, one copy of said book, and retain the balance of said edition for sale, or such future disposition as the Grand Lodge may hereafter direct, except that each new Lodge shall be furnished a copy free; that said copies so furnished the Lodges shall remain the property of this Grand Lodge; that 100 copies at least of said edition, left for sale shall be bound in flexible leather or other better binding than ordinary cloth; that any Lodge or officer above specified, who will pay the difference between the cost of ordinary and such better binding, be allowed the latter, and that the sale price of said books shall be fixed by said committee, and the Grand Secretary; that the sum of \$600.00, or so much therefor as may be necessary, be appropriated to pay the expense of so printing and copyrighting said edition.

EXPERT AUDITING OF OUR ACCOUNTS.

The Grand Lodge a year ago, directed the Grand Master hereafter to annually employ an expert accountant to examine and audit the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. In

compliance with that direction I employed Bro. Ralph D. Webb, a Past Master of this jurisdiction and a public accountant, to perform that duty and make his report a part hereof. This audit incidentally, but necessarily, should include the only examination of the financial part of the annual returns of the Lodges which our Committee on Returns covers. There is, therefore, no longer any need of or utility in that committee devoting any time, before the meeting of the Grand Lodge, to an inspection of these returns, for as to any other matters the Grand Secretary should investigate, and see to the correction of errors and discrepancies, observe and make mention of such as it is best to mention, including delinquent list of lodges, in his annual report. Many and indeed the worst errors cannot be ascertained until long after the Grand Lodge has closed. I therefore recommend that the 13th Subdivision of Sec. 76, Art. III, General Regulations, be amended to read as follows:

"13th.—On Returns.—A committee of three, to whom shall be referred any matters relating to returns of our Lodges, for examination and report."

The Accountant's report is as follows:

January 19th, 1909.

Wm. P. Roberts,

M. W. Grand Master.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

As per your instructions, I have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the past year and I herewith submit my report of the result.

GRAND SECRETARY'S RECORDS.

I checked the receipts as shown by the returns from the Lodges, etc., with the record in the cash book and found all moneys received properly accounted for and that the amounts had been promptly paid to the Grand Treasurer; also the Ledger accounts show that each Lodge has received credit for the amount paid by it. I examined the vouchers for the disbursements and found them correct and in order with the following exceptions: Voucher No. 30 for \$150.00, payable to Sherburne Lodge No. 95 for relief was missing. Warrant No. 30 for this voucher is endorsed by L. Pollard, Treasurer of Sherburne Lodge; the Grand Secretary also has on file a report from the W. Master of Sherburne Lodge, accounting for the payment of the amount. Voucher No. 47 for \$72.00, payable to John Fishel, Grand Secretary, is for refund of overpaid dues of last year.

No appropriation was made for the payment of this amount by the Committee on Appropriations at the last Grand Lodge Communication.

GRAND TREASURER'S RECORDS.

I checked the records of the Grand Treasurer and found that the remittances from the Grand Secretary had all been deposited in the Security National Bank to the credit of the Grand Lodge and that the disbursements had been made in accordance with the warrants issued. I also checked the bonds in the Widows' and Orphans' fund and found the account of them correct.

Statements of the total receipts and disbursements for the year in the General and Widows' and Orphans' Funds, also a summary of the cash assets of the Grand Lodge is attached to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would respectfully make the following recommendations:

1st. That a resolution be passed at the coming session of the Grand Lodge, ratifying and confirming the issuing and paying of Warrant No. 47.

2nd. That the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure a specially ruled cash book.

The use of such a book will save much of his valuable time in making a proper distribution of the receipts and disbursements, also in making out his annual report.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH D. WEBB,
Auditor.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

General Fund.

<i>Receipts.</i>		<i>Disbursements.</i>	
Balance Jan. 21, 1908,	\$13,912.86	Warrants, Nos. 1 to 104, inclusive.....	\$14,776.69
Received from returns, Fees, etc...	14,280.02	Bank bal. Jan. 19, '09	13,416.19
	<u>\$28,192.88</u>		<u>\$28,192.88</u>

Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

<i>Receipts.</i>		<i>Disbursements.</i>	
Balance Jan. 21, 1908,	\$2,285.46	Mpls. City Bond, No. 518	\$7,040.83
Transferred from General Fund	5,000.00	Bank Bal. Jan. 19, 1909	2,529.63
Interest on bonds....	<u>2,285.00</u>		<u>\$9,570.46</u>
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Summary of Cash Assets.

General Fund	\$13,416.19
Widows' and Orphans' Fund..	2,529.63
Bonds	<u>58,000.00</u>
	<u>\$73,945.82</u>

MASONIC HOME.

The President of the Minnesota Masonic Home will make his usual annual report of that corporation to the Grand Lodge. In addition to what that report may contain, I desire to say, that our brethren and Lodges owe it to themselves, to bear the beginnings of this great Masonic benevolence constantly in their minds, consciences and prayers. That corporation was formed to forestall the imperative demand which will come sooner or later—demands of love and charity,—which the evolution of the world today has proven, and is constantly proving, cannot adequately be met in the old way of relief, locally administered. There has been little advance made during the year in accumulating funds for a Home. The lack of progress toward that object indicates that Minnesota has felt the tightening of times, since the fall of 1907. While we do not expect this condition to continue, and in fact there is a large improvement, the sudden coming of that squall of 1907, simply emphasizes the importance of Masons being forehanded, and preparing, against the possible advent of a time of suffering which may come to those we are sworn to love and cherish. The proposed Masonic Home is not for the ordinary case which can be cared for simply by the expenditure of a little money, in the private home of some one who is willing for a reasonable recompense to extend such care as Masons desire that their unfortunate brethren and the destitute families of brethren should have. But our Home will be for those whom we cannot decently or adequately or nearly so well care for anywhere else as in a Masonic Home—endowed, built and maintained by the money and contributions of brethren who give, not grudgingly but freely, willingly and generously, for such purpose. It goes, of course, without the saying, that it will cost more per capita to maintain those we are thus to save from suffering in such a Home, than even in a "Fifth Avenue hotel," perhaps, but the problem which, as practical men, we should prepare for, against a possible day of disaster, is to have some place, where we can adequately care, for just such cases. There are too many of such cases even now not cared for as they ought to be, because fit and proper places cannot be found for "love or money," and these will multiply, in the future, very rapidly. Masons especially cannot afford to ignore this possible problem of the future, when other fraternities younger and less substantial than ours, are so generously and generally providing up-to-date means of caring for their unfortunates—aye, and even some of ours. Every Mason here, every Mason in Minnesota, should remember that it is not impossible that even he may, by dire misfortune, be reduced to the necessity of appealing for help, and that

the extremity may be of such nature that neither ties of blood nor family nor kinship nor private human sympathy, nor even money, can or will adequately meet it. And remembering this, few Masons are so poor in this world's goods as to be unable to give something now, or at least in their wills, for so great a charity and work, as the proper preparation for, and endowment of, the Minnesota Masonic Home. I believe that, if the Grand Lodge can spare anything from its general funds for charity's sake, this year, outside of immediate demands, it ought to be devoted towards that Home fund, by the purchase of additional memberships therein. Such appropriation if thus made will accumulate a larger income for charity than is being done by any investments this Grand Lodge is now making or has ever made, and besides it will be helpful in advertising to the brethren everywhere the duty of their keeping constantly in mind this great Masonic charity, and the duty and obligation of assisting it.

The term of Bro. A. D. Countryman on the Home Board expires tomorrow, and the Grand Lodge should elect his successor.

We have again a letter from Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, our representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, calling attention to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

I have also received formal charges against Bro. H. J. Herder, W. M. of Red Wing Lodge No. 8, for unmasonic conduct.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. It should occur to the members of this Grand Lodge, especially to those who have watched the growth of our great Fraternity in Minnesota for many years,—that its concerns are large and growing, and that the labor necessary to care for our offices and library is largely increased, and that modern up-to-date methods of handling such concerns are needed. We ought to have a modern card index system and the Grand Lodge ought to provide every Lodge with a duplicate of such cards, and to continue providing them each year after the annual returns are received, with the Grand Lodge numbers properly entered against the names of the members of the Lodge. While I doubt if our present Register should be dispensed with, I am certain, from my visitations the past year, that Lodges need a card system with complete information of each member thereon. Many of the Lodges are very lax in keeping their membership rolls. The Grand Secretary has spent months in straightening out Lodge discrepancies and must spend many more before everything is cleared up. Now, a card system extending back over our more than half a century of existence cannot be in-

stalled and completed in a day or a year or within two or three years. There are too many thousands of names to be gone over. Neither can the Grand Secretary do this work alone. If it is to be done he must have regular help, help intelligent enough to be educated and made expert in the work, and growing more so every year, so that in the near future he may become a full-fledged assistant secretary of the Grand Lodge. There is no doubt that we shall need him in a few years, if not already. The work can be done by starting with the latest return or returns and gradually running them backward for each Lodge to its start. For new Lodges the Grand Lodge should provide besides the cards a metallic case in duplicate, capable of holding at least 500 cards with lock and key. Many of the Lodges own and keep their records in fireproof safes, and many already have a card system of their own, but the Grand Lodge needs it for its own convenience and that of the many brethren who call constantly for information, which these cards would quickly help to find. Such man (he should be a Mason) will probably cost \$75 per month, and I recommend that such help be authorized and such card system be installed.

2. A year ago Past Grand Master Widell recommended the adoption of a resolution providing for the reimbursement to the Grand Secretary of his expenses when attending upon the Grand Master in the laying of corner stones, dedications and other emergent occasions. It was overlooked by the Appropriations Committee, I am sure. The presence of the Grand Secretary is almost as much needed for the proper, orderly and regular conduct of such ceremonies, as that of the Grand Master, who has too much responsibility and work otherwise, to be burdened with the necessary details of making such occasions, as they should be, a credit and honor to our Fraternity. I repeat the recommendation made by Grand Master Widell, that the expenses of the Grand Secretary when attending upon the Grand Master at his request, whenever Occasional Communications of the Grand Lodge must regularly be held, be paid upon bills approved by the Grand Master.

3. During the past year I have directed the Grand Secretary to pay such expenses from his contingent fund, relying upon this Grand Lodge to ratify that direction, which I now ask it to do.

4. I further recommend that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be authorized to secure a new and suitable case for the carriage of the regalia and the proper and safe keeping and carriage of the vessels used upon such occasions. Such vessels were procured as directed last year, but the appropriation was not sufficient to have them suitably inscribed, and I recommend an additional appropriation for both purposes.

5. The Grand Lodge needs an American flag for use on all public occasions, and a case to keep it in. We have a Grand Standard Bearer who is installed to bear the standard of the Grand Lodge. What is that standard? This is a new office—not originally found in Grand Lodges rosters or in the Old Constitutions. We have no standard as such, except it is, as I think it ought to be, the flag of our country, to which we teach loyalty, as almost the first lesson. Then as a patriotic, law-abiding Fraternity, we ought never to appear upon public occasions without the American flag in the hands of our Grand Standard Bearer. It is not always easy or possible to borrow such flag, and sometimes we have to go without one. This Grand Lodge is able to have its own and should have it, and I recommend that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be authorized to purchase a suitable flag, also swords with belts, etc., for the Grand Sword Bearer and Grand Tiler and also a proper case for the carriage and safe keeping of such flag, and swords, and belts, made large enough to also carry the rods of the deacons and stewards, and that an appropriation of \$150.00, or so much thereof as is necessary, be made for the purposes.

6. The quarters of the Grand Lodge are growing cramped, and we should soon have larger ones. The brethren in St. Paul, I am happy to announce, are building a new Masonic Temple which will be able to provide not only appropriate rooms for the several Bodies which regularly are to meet there, but no doubt will offer as heretofore proper facilities for the Communications of this Grand Lodge, including its annual Schools of Instruction. It will also, I understand, be able to furnish quarters, larger if needed, for our Grand Secretary's office and the Masonic Library, and undoubtedly at reasonable rentals. The presence of these offices there will not only be a great convenience to the local brethren, but in the Library, as it continues to expand, a valuable adjunct as well to their Masonic Temple. I do not anticipate that the rental which may be demanded will be exorbitant or unreasonable. The brethren of St. Paul have ever been open-hearted and generous in their treatment of the Grand Lodge and will, I am sure, continue to be so, knowing that we are under no necessity of moving to the new Temple. Whether the Temple will be ready for occupancy before the next annual gathering of this Grand Lodge cannot now be definitely stated, although it is hoped by the brethren that they may take possession by November 1st. Our lease on the present quarters expires July 1st. It will be well, and I recommend, that the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be a committee, empowered to make a new lease of either the present or other quarters, with necessary additional room for our expanding needs, upon such terms as may

seem to them best, and for such length of time as may seem best, and that such committee, in case a lease is made for quarters in the new Temple, be empowered to procure new and appropriate furniture to suitably and creditably furnish the offices there. Our present furniture will not be appropriate and should not be used in new or better surroundings. The Grand Lodge must preserve its reputation and dignity in such surroundings.

7. The commissions issued by this Grand Lodge to representatives near other Grand Lodges, as well as some other papers—dispensations, etc.—are upon cheap paper instead of, as the honor, credit and dignity of our Grand Lodge demand, upon an attractive form and at least more nearly of a parchment nature. They do not contrast well with many received here from sister jurisdictions. I recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to secure a much better and more elaborate and enduring blank.

8. Lodges are not well informed as to what is done Masonically in Minnesota. In many things this is inexcusable and can and should be remedied. It occurs to me that a lot of this lack of knowledge may be remedied by requiring our annual Grand Lodge Proceedings to be read in open Lodge during the year in which they are received and by making such reading so obligatory as that a failure to so read shall deprive the Lodge of mileage and per diem to its representative to the Grand Lodge as is done by our rule in regard to failure to send in returns on time. I therefore recommend for adoption the following:

Resolved, That each Lodge shall be and is hereby required to have the latest proceedings of the Grand Lodge received by it, read in open Lodge at some meeting thereof during the current year thereafter; that any Lodge failing to do so shall not be entitled to have any mileage or per diem paid to its representative to Grand Lodge; that the Grand Secretary shall provide a question upon all blanks for returns, in which the date of so reading such annual proceedings shall be covered and that any return failing to certify such reading shall be conclusive evidence that no mileage or per diem is due.

9. The report of the Accountant, Bro. Webb, shows that Order No. 47 was not authorized in the report of the Appropriations Committee last year. It should be confirmed and the further recommendation of the Accountant, as to new ruled cash book for Grand Secretary should be considered.

NECROLOGY.

This Grand Jurisdiction has not been called upon, so far as I am advised, to mourn the loss of any member of the Grand Lodge

during the past year. For this we reverently thank our Heavenly Father.

Several of our sister jurisdictions, however, have suffered losses, and we mourn with, and extend our fraternal sympathy to them, in the loss of honored and distinguished brethren, as follows:

Alabama—John Gideon Harris, who was Grand Master in 1885 and 1886, died at Montgomery, July 7, 1908.

Connecticut—Dwight Waugh, Grand Master in 1884 and 1885, who died at Stamford, February 20, 1908, and John Henry Barlow, Grand Master part of 1879 and all of 1880, and Grand Secretary from 1894 until his death at Hartford, June 16, 1908.

Florida—William E. Anderson, Grand Master in 1881 and 1882, who died at Pensacola, November 12, 1908.

Illinois—Loyal L. Munn, Grand Secretary from 1881 to 1893, who died at Freeport, November 23, 1908.

Indiana—Martin H. Rice, Grand Master from 1868 to 1871, inclusive, who died August 3, 1908.

Manitoba—Thomas Robinson, Grand Master in 1897, who died at Montreal, August 10, 1908.

Michigan—Matthew H. Maynard, Grand Master in 1876, who died at Marquette, December 27, 1907, also W. Irving Babcock, Grand Master in 1890, who died at Niles, March 31, 1908, and also Hugh McCurdy, Grand Master in 1873, who died at Corunna, July 16, 1908.

New Mexico—William Burr Childers, Grand Master in 1883, who died at Albuquerque, March 3, 1908, and also Elias Elwell Day, Grand Master in 1899, who died May 31, 1908.

New York—William A. Sutherland, Grand Master in 1897 and 1898, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home and Asylum Fund, who died at Rochester, March 11, 1908.

North Carolina—Fabius Haywood Busbee, Grand Master in 1885 and 1886, who died at Seattle, Washington, August 28, 1908.

North Dakota—John F. Selby, Grand Master in 1902, who died at Hillsboro, January 8, 1908, and also Robert M. Carothers, Grand Master in 1897, who died at Grand Forks, February 4, 1908.

South Carolina—John R. Bellinger, Grand Master in 1904 and 1905, who died at Hamburg, August 27, 1908.

Tennessee—John Thomas Irion, Grand Master in 1880, who died August 9, 1908.

Vermont—Rev. Edwin Wheelock, Grand Chaplain and representative of this Grand Lodge near that of Vermont, who died full of years, at Cambridge, December 18, 1907.

Nov. 10.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	1.20
Nov. 16.	" " " " " "	4.25
Nov. 19.	" " " " " "	1.00
Dec. 15.	" " " " " "	11.60
Dec. 16.	" " " " " "	12.80
Dec. 19.	" " " " " "	33.30
Dec. 21.	" " " " " "	76.00
Dec. 22.	" " " " " "	76.80
Dec. 23.	" " " " " "	78.60
Dec. 24.	" " " " " "	192.70
Dec. 26.	" " " " " "	228.60
Dec. 28.	" " " " " "	312.90
Dec. 29.	" " " " " "	329.80
Dec. 30.	" " " " " "	728.60
Dec. 31.	" " " " " "	816.80
1909.		
Jan. 2.	" " " " " "	1,027.50
	" " " " " "	1,951.80
Jan. 4.	" " " " " "	1,790.60
Jan. 5.	" " " " " "	2,613.10
Jan. 6.	" " " " " "	740.60
Jan. 7.	" " " " " "	566.40
Jan. 8.	" " " " " "	156.00
Jan. 9.	" " " " " "	456.80
Jan. 11.	" " " " " "	216.10
Jan. 12.	" " " " " "	79.80
Jan. 13.	" " " " " "	141.40
Jan. 15.	" " " " " "	624.20
Jan. 16.	" " " " " "	.80
Jan. 18.	" " " " " "	47.00
Total Receipts		\$28,192.88

DISBURSEMENTS.

1908.

No. 1,	Jan. 24, Gustaf Widell, G. Master's Expenses	\$ 300.00
No. 2,	John Fishel, 2 Assistants.....	30.00
No. 3,	John H. Ludwig, G. Tiler.....	25.00
No. 4,	James M. Robertson, Asst. G. Tiler	10.00
No. 5,	Anton Hoska, Asst. G. Tiler..	10.00
No. 6,	Wm. B. Patton, Custodian..	24.00

No. 7,	Jan. 24,	Wm. R. Smith, Custodian....	32.28
No. 8,		David W. Knowlton Custodian	15.20
No. 9,		Henry M. Tusler, Custodian	18.10
No. 10,		John H. Sprout, Custodian....	32.22
No. 11,		John J. Buckhout, care of rooms	50.00
No. 12,		Henry M. Tusler, Chm. aud. Com.	100.00
No. 13,	Jan. 30,	David W. Knowlton, G. L. W. & O. Fund	5,000.00
No. 14,	Feb. 1,	The Dispatch Printing Co., Feb. rent	50.00
No. 15,		John Fishel, Jan. salary.....	116.66
No. 16,		John Fishel, Contingent expenses, January	20.34
No. 17,	Feb. 4,	Irving Todd, Chm. Com. on Corresp.	100.00
No. 18,		Dakota Lodge No. 7, Relief G. Egbert	100.00
No. 19,		Red Wing Lodge No. 8, Relief of J. Richter	100.00
No. 20,		Red Wing Lodge No. 8, Relief S. Hazlett	100.00
No. 21,		Mankato Lodge No. 12, Relief S. S. Rardon	50.00
No. 22,		Western Star Lodge No. 26, Relief Widow S. Partridge	100.00
No. 23,		Sakatah Lodge No. 32, Relief widow J. Batlik	100.00
No. 24,		Preston Lodge No. 36, Relief J. Benedict and Wife.....	200.00
No. 25,		Star Lodge No. 62, Relief W. H. Frazer	100.00
No. 26,		Illustrious Lodge No. 63, Relief A. Smith and Wife	150.00
No. 27,		Illustrious Lodge No. 63, Relief A. Nelson	100.00
No. 28,		Antiquity Lodge No. 91, Relief D. Watson	50.00
No. 29,		Antiquity Lodge No. 91, Relief D. Welch	50.00
No. 30,		Sherburne Lodge No. 95, Relief P. O. Hawes and Wife	150.00

No. 74, June 30,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., June	11.58
No. 75, July 7,	Minnesota Masonic Home, Schaefer bequest	671.42
No. 76, July 30,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Aug. rent	50.00
No. 77,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief Mrs. Good- rich	20.00
No. 78,	John Fishel, G. Sec., July salary	116.66
No. 79,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., July	9.72
No. 80, Aug. 15,	Ballard's Express Co., Remov- ing records	10.00
No. 81, Aug. 31,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Sept. rent	50.00
No. 82,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief Mrs. Good- rich	20.00
No. 83,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Aug. salary	116.66
No. 84,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., Aug.	16.87
No. 85, Oct. 1,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Oct. rent	50.00
No. 86,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief Mrs. Good- rich	20.00
No. 87,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief A. Marden..	25.00
No. 88,	The West St. Paul Times, printing	6.00
No. 89,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Sept. salary	116.66
No. 90,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., Sept.	21.99
No. 91, Oct. 31,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Nov. rent	50.00
No. 92,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Oct. salary	116.66
No. 93,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief Mrs. Good- rich	20.00

No. 94,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., Oct.	8.78
No. 95, Nov. 14,	L. N. Bryant, Insurance.....	31.05
No. 96, Nov. 30,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Relief Mrs. Good- rich	20.00
No. 97,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Dec. rent	50.00
No. 98,	The West St. Paul Times, printing	6.41
No. 99,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Nov. salary	116.66
No. 100,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., Nov.	30.64
No. 101, Dec. 31,	The Dispatch Ptg. Co., Jan. rent	50.00
No. 102,	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., salary	200.00
No. 103,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Dec. salary	116.74
No. 104,	John Fishel, G. Sec., Cont. Exp., Dec.	16.72

Total payments\$14,776.69

Balance in General Fund, Jan. 20, 1909..... 13,416.19

\$28,192.88

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

RECIEPTS.

1908.

Balance in treasury as per last report.....	\$2,285.46
Jan. 29, Six months' interest on City of St. Paul bond No. 194 to Feb. 1, 1908	140.00
Jan. 30, Cash from General Fund, Warrant No. 13	5,000.00
Feb. 14, Six months' interest on Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce bonds, Nos. 401, 402, 403, 442 and 443 to Feb. 1, 1908	112.50
Feb. 27, Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to April 1, 1908	322.50
June 29, Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213, 407, 470 and 518 to July 1, 1908	547.50

July 29, Six months' interest on City of St. Paul Bond No. 194 to Aug. 1, 1908	140.00
Aug. 21, Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to July 1, 1908	20.00
Six months' interest on Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce bonds Nos. 401, 402, 403, 442 and 443 to Aug. 1, 1908	112.50
Sept. 28, Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to Oct. 1, 1908	322.50
Dec. 30, Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213, 407, 470 and 518 to Jan. 1, 1909	547.50
1909.	
Jan. 16, Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to Jan. 1, 1909	20.00
	\$9,570.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

1908.	
Jan. 31, Cash paid for City of Minneapolis bond No. 518	\$7,040.83
Balance in Treasury Jan. 19, 1909.....	2,529.63
	\$9,570.46

RECAPITULATION.

GENERAL FUND.

Cash on hand Jan. 20, 1909	\$13,416.19
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WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Cash on hand Jan. 19, 1909	\$ 2,529.63
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 94, par value	15,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 107, par value	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 108, par value	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 109, par value	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 142, par value	2,000.00
St. Louis Co. Bond No. 59, par value	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 213, par value	2,000.00

City of Minneapolis Bond No. 407, par value	3,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 518, par value	7,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 401, par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 402, par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 403, par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 442, par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 443, par value	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 470, par value	11,000.00
City of St. Paul Bond No. 194, par value	7,000.00

Total in Widows' and Orphans' Fund\$60,529.63

Grand Total in both funds\$73,945.82

Fraternally submitted

DAVID W. KNOWLTON,

Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Officers and members of the Grand Lodge:

I have the honor to submit herewith my second annual report as Grand Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS, COMMISSIONS, CIRCULARS, ETC.

The Proceedings of 1908 were published promptly and given the usual distribution. The supply not being sufficient, I was unable to comply with a number of requests for copies from Masonic Libraries and distinguished brethren and recommend that 1,400 copies of the Proceedings of this communication be issued.

Commissions as Grand Representatives have been issued and received as stated by the Grand Master. Commissions were also issued to the thirty-four District Deputy Grand Masters and the necessary blanks sent them.

Circulars have been issued from time to time as occasion required.

The correspondence, which is quite voluminous, has been promptly attended to, and so far as I am aware, the work of the office is up to date.

BINDING.

The Grand Lodge last year appropriated \$100.00 for binding, but I have been unable to find time to collect the matter for binding and therefore recommend that the appropriation be continued.

RETURNS.

There are 248 chartered Lodges on the roll. Returns have been received from all but six.

Returns have also been received from the three Lodges under dispensation. As usual, and notwithstanding the action taken by the Grand Lodge last year, a number of the returns came in late.

The returns show a very gratifying condition of the craft. 14 Lodges did no work at all; 23 raised none; 181 raised from 1 to 10, each, and 24 raised from 10 to 20, each. Those raising more than 20 were 13, viz., Cataract No. 2, 41; St. Paul No. 3, 29; Ancient Landmark No. 5, 29; Minneapolis No. 19, 52; Palestine No. 79, 32; Khurum No. 112, 34; Crookston No. 141, 24; Summit No. 163, 22; Braden No. 168, 26; Ark No. 176, 59; Ionic No. 186, 30; Mesaba No. 255, 32; and Montgomery No. 258, 28. 66 Lodges fell behind with a loss of 199.

The net gains and losses are as follows: Initiated, 1,577, Passed 1,481, Raised, 1,455, Joined, 404, Restored, 79, Total gains, 1,938. Withdrawn, 564, Stricken from the Roll, 208, Suspended, 5, Expelled, 3, Died, 302, Total losses, 1,082.

The largest net gains were: Cataract No. 2, 43; St. Paul No. 3, 28; Palestine No. 79, 37; Khurum No. 112, 32; Summit No. 163, 25; Braden No. 168, 27; Ark. No. 176, 85; Ionic No. 186, 30; Mesaba No. 255, 34 and Montgomery No. 258, 23.

The Lodges having a membership of over 300 are: Cataract No. 2, 610; St. Paul No. 3, 433; Hennepin No. 4, 383; Ancient Landmark No. 5, 545; Winona No. 18, 380; Minneapolis No. 19, 1,148; Palestine No. 79, 647; Khurum No. 112, 521; Summit No. 163, 457; Ark No. 176, 476; Ionic No. 186, 448; and Minnesota No. 224, 314.

One Lodge shows neither gain nor loss and in 20 the gains and losses are equal.

Total membership this date, 23,866.

DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW LODGES.

By order of the Grand Master dispensations for new Lodges have been issued as follows:

June 1, 1908, Koochiching Lodge U. D. at International Falls, Koochiching County; Sept. 7, 1908, Canisteo Lodge U. D. at Coleraine, Itasca County; and Oct. 21, 1908, Osiris Lodge U. D. at Spooner, Beltrami County.

Each of these Lodges has made returns, their records are here for your inspection and they respectfully ask that charters be granted them.

FOSSTON LODGE NO. 206.

The Grand Lodge at its last communication referred the matter of the property and effects of the late Fosston Lodge No. 206, to the Grand Secretary with power to act. On Aug 31, 1908, I wrote Bro. Joel Fogelberg, late W. M. of the Lodge to send me the effects of the Lodge, and on Dec. 17th, 1908, I wrote Bro. Daniel Shaw, D. D. G. M., at Thief River Falls, asking him to kindly take the matter up and see that the property was turned in before this communication of the Grand Lodge. Neither Brother has deemed it worth his while to reply.

BLANKS FOR ANNUAL REPORTS.

The Grand Lodge last year instructed the Grand Secretary to have a supply of Annual Report Blanks printed and sell them to the Lodges at cost. After a conference with a number of the brethren in whose judgment I had great confidence, in which it was brought out that a proposition would be made at this communication to revise the present blank, I deemed it wise to let the matter stand in abeyance and trust my action will meet with your approval.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS.

The duplicate charters ordered issued to Dexter Lodge No. 253 and Hawley Lodge No. 256, to replace the originals lost by fire, were duly and promptly issued and transmitted to those Lodges.

RODS AND VESSELS.

The Rods for Deacons and Stewards and the vessels for use in dedication ceremonies and laying corner stones, ordered at the

last communication, were duly purchased and there is left of the appropriation a balance of \$10.50 which might, in my opinion, be advantageously expended in the purchase of a suitable case or cases for them and the Grand Lodge regalia.

LEASE OF GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

I beg to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the fact that the lease for the offices at present occupied by the Grand Secretary expires June 30, 1909, and some provision should be made looking toward the renewal of the lease or the securing of new and more commodious quarters.

RECEIPTS.

The receipts during the year have been as follows:

Arrearages from Lodges	\$ 34.60
Charter fee, Osiris Lodge U. D.	25.00
Dispensations for new Lodges	80.00
Fees and dues	13,178.80
Grand Lodge Certificates	40.00
John Schaefer bequest	671.42
Interest on Investments	2,285.00
Sale of Proceedings	3.25
Sale of Supplies	6.95
Rent from Grand Chapter	150.00
Rent from Grand Commandery	90.00

\$16,565.02

all of which was promptly remitted to the Grand Treasurer.

DISBURSEMENTS.

104 warrants have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer, aggregating \$14,776.69.

DISTRIBUTION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

Assistant Grand Secretaries, 1908	\$ 30.00
Assistant Grand Tylers, 1908	20.00
Auditing Committee	100.00
Board of Custodians	134.00

Care Grand Lodge Rooms and Expenses, 1908.....	50.00
Chairman Committee on Correspondence	100.00
Expenses Grand Master Widell	300.00
Grand Secretary's Bond	12.50
Grand Secretary's Contingent Expenses	198.73
Grand Secretary's Salary	1,400.00
Grand Treasurer's Bond	25.00
Grand Treasurer's Salary	200.00
Grand Tyler, 1908	25.00
Insurance	82.80
Masonic Vet. Assn., Printing	100.00
Minn. Masonic Home (Schaefer)	671.42
Pay Roll, 1908	2,846.55
Printing	529.89
Relief	2,090.00
Refunded fees and dues	58.80
Refunded overpaid dues	72.00
Removing stored records	10.00
Rent	600.00
Telephone	80.50
Vessels and Rods	39.50
Widows' and Orphans' fund	5,000.00
	\$14,776.69

BONDS AND INSURANCE.

The bond of Grand Treasurer Knowlton was renewed in March and is on file in my office. The bond of the Grand Secretary was issued Jan. 24, 1908, and was delivered to the Grand Master, Feb. 8, 1908.

Insurance to the amount of \$4,000.00 is carried on the Grand Lodge property in the Grand Secretary's office.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, permit me to express to you my sincere appreciation of the honor you have conferred on me by electing me to this responsible position and my heartfelt thanks for the uniform kindness and courtesy shown me.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN FISHEL,
Grand Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge in session convened:

Your Committee to whom was referred the address of the M. W. Grand Master for division and reference, would respectfully report that, in our opinion, the craft in this Grand Jurisdiction will be greatly benefited by the profound and exhaustive address of your Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. William P. Roberts.

We recommend:

First—That so much as refers to the "Expert Auditing of our Accounts" be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Second—So much as refers to "Decisions," "By-Laws Approved," "Masonic Code," "Appeals to Lodges for Contributions," "Dispensations" and "Other Recommendations No. 8," to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Third—So much as refers to "Recognition of Other Grand Lodges," to the Committee on Ancient Landmarks.

Fourth—So much as refers to the charges against Bro. H. J. Herder, W. M. of Red Wing Lodge No. 8, to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

Fifth—So much as refers to "Masonic Home," "The Masonic General Relief Association of the U. S. and Canada" and "Other Recommendations, No. 1 to 7 inclusive and No. 9," to the Committee on Appropriations.

Sixth—So much as refers to "Necrology," to a special Committee of three.

Seventh—So much as refers to "District Deputies" and "Grand Lecturer," to a special Committee of five.

Eighth—So much as refers to "Lodges Under Dispensation," to the Committee on Lodges U. D.

Ninth—That those portions inculcating the doctrines of morality and fraternity be referred to this Grand Lodge, and through its officers and members to the Lodges and brethren of this and sister jurisdictions.

Tenth—The remainder of the address to a special Committee of three on "Residue of Address."

Fraternally submitted,

HENRY R. ADAMS,

AL. H. LEIMBACHER,

W. G. WHITCOMB,

Committee.

Adopted.

The special committees provided for above were appointed as follows:

On Necrology—Bros. Geo. E. Satterlee, Grand Chaplain, A. C. Stolte (179) and Alex Kelly (239).

On District Deputies and Grand Lecturer—Bros. R. E. Denfeld (186), O. M. Henderson (9), John A. Crowe (264), W. L. Sartell (92) and D. J. Jones (152).

On Residue of Address—Bros. W. A. Streator (27), E. E. Kremer (208) and T. P. Edwards (3).

Bro. Irving Todd, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence submitted his report which was ordered printed as an appendix to the proceedings.

Bro. William C. Odell (151), Grand Orator, then delivered a thoughtful address, which was ordered printed with the proceedings. (See Appendix.) Bro. Odell was extended a vote of thanks for his effort.

The election of officers was made a special order of business at 2 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

The Grand Lodge, at 6:15 p. m. was called from labor to refreshment until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 21, 1909.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9 a. m., officers and members as before, except that Bro. George D. La Bar, Junior Grand Steward, was in his station, and Rev. Bro. Henry Nobbs (220), officiated as Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master called for Bro. Charles E. Elmquist, Chairman of the Committee on District Deputies, appointed in 1907, and continued at the communication of 1908. Bro. Elmquist being absent on account of the death of his son, Bro. Harry M. Burnham (90) stated that no meetings of the Committee had been held.

Bro. Irving Todd (7) offered the following resolutions which were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved: That the resolution of 1875, page forty-three, relating to compensation of the Grand Secretary for signing and sealing of certificates, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved: That the resolution of 1885, page twenty-eight, relating to the forwarding of Lodge returns to the Grand Secretary, be and hereby is amended by striking out the word "second" at the end of the second line and inserting the word "sixth."

Bro. Charles Mitchell (217) offered the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved: That the following be added to the form of petition for membership in this Grand Jurisdiction, so as to have a complete record of our members:

"I was initiated in Lodge No., at, on, passed, and raised"

M. W. Bro. W. A. McGonagle offered the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

Resolved: That this Grand Lodge purchase two certificates of Five Hundred Dollars each in the Minnesota Masonic Home and that the sum of One Thousand Dollars out of the general fund be appropriated for that purpose.

Bro. E. W. Rossman (56) addressed the Grand Lodge, mentioning the action of Bro. Levi Bemis, of Meridian Lodge No. 56, Chatfield, in presenting to that Lodge the sum of One Thousand Dollars, without limitations, to be expended by the Lodge for charitable purposes.

The Grand Master announced that the Actual Past Grand Master's degree would be conferred upon all entitled to the degree who had not received it.

Deputy Grand Master Swan assumed the Grand East, and the Grand Master retired to the Blue Room where he opened

a Lodge of Actual Past Grand Masters and conferred the degree on a number of brethren, after which he returned and resumed the Grand East.

M. W. Bro. Gideon S. Ives made a report of the transactions of the Minnesota Masonic Home Association and the same was ordered printed with the proceedings (see Appendix).

Bro. E. W. Rossman (56) spoke in connection with the report, urging that the surplus in the general fund be invested for the benefit of the Home.

On motion of Bro. Henry Nobbs (220) M. W. Bro. A. D. Countryman was elected to succeed himself as representative of the Grand Lodge on the Masonic Home Board.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT DEPUTIES AND GRAND LECTURER.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge now in session:

Your committee, to which was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to District Deputies and Grand Lecturer, reports as follows:

Recognizing the fact that any plan looking to the advancement of Free Masonry must depend upon the results attainable, and appreciating the value of the statements made in the address of the Grand Master both for and against the work of District Deputies, and the changes recommended, we submit the following:

1st.—In view of the fact that this subject has been in the hands of a committee for the past two years, and no report presented, we deem it advisable either to continue that committee, or appoint another, to continue the consideration of the matter.

2nd.—From the information at our command, we recommend the continuation of the present plan—first, because the value of the present plan is acknowledged whenever the District Deputy has conscientiously performed his duties; second, as a matter of economy.

3rd.—We feel that some modification is necessary, both in the substance of the District Deputies' report and the time at which the same is made, and would suggest that this be referred to the committee having in charge the revision of the Code. The modifications in mind are such as the omission from the District Deputy's report the financial and other items contained in the annual report to the Grand Lodge, and the District Deputy's report should be made as soon after each visitation as possible.

4th.—That District Deputies should urge the holding of schools of instruction in their respective districts when it is evident that they are needed.

5th.—The task imposed upon the proposed Grand Lecturer would be one almost or quite impossible of proper performance, under two years' time, and would involve an expense of not less than \$6,000.00 or \$8,000.00.

6th.—We would suggest that Grand Masters inform their successors as to the District Deputies who have not fulfilled their duties.

Fraternally submitted,
R. E. DENFELD,
O. M. HENDERSON,
J. H. CROWE,
W. L. SARTELL,

Committee.

Bro. A. J. Wallace (185) urged the appointment of a Grand Lecturer.

Bro. J. P. Wolfe (126), a member of the committee appointed in 1907, stated that Bro. Elmquist had considerable information regarding the matter and that an effort would be made to present it to the Grand Lodge at some future time.

The Grand Master urged the Grand Lodge to give an expression on the question.

Bro. F. A. Duxbury (20) moved that the report be amended so as to recommend the appointment of a new committee of which Bro. Elmquist should be a member. Carried.

The report of the committee as amended was then adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your committee on the death of distinguished brethren of Sister Grand Lodges offers the following report:

Fifteen *of our Sister Grand Lodges have suffered the loss of distinguished members during the year and to them we extend our heartfelt sympathy. If it were possible, in the space given your committee, we should be pleased to mention each of our distinguished brethren and offer a tribute of words to their memory; but we feel our inability to fittingly do this. The lives of such men,

written in the deeds of mercy and unselfish toil for others, are already recorded in a book which is ever open before the face of God. The world is richer and better because they have lived. We who remain to carry on the work which they have laid down may profit by their virtues and by the examples which they have given. They are not dead, they shall live, "and their works do follow them."

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. E. SATTERLEE,

ALEX. KELLY,

A. C. STOLTE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U. D.

To the M.'. W.'. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Lodges U. D. fraternally report that they have carefully examined the records of Koochiching Lodge U. D., located at International Falls, Koochiching Co.; Canisteo Lodge U. D., located at Coleraine, Itasca Co.; and Osiris Lodge U. D., located at Spooner, Beltrami Co., and recommend that charters be granted each of said Lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS MORRIS,

S. C. REA,

GRIER H. THOMPSON,

CLARENCE B. MILLER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

To the M.'. W.'. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Ancient Landmarks, to whom was referred that portion of the address of the M.'. W.'. Grand Master relating to the application of the Grand Lodge of the Valle de Mexico for recognition, report as follows:

We have carefully considered all the evidence submitted to us and recommend the adoption of the following resolution;

Resolved: That the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota hereby recognizes the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico as a duly organized Grand Lodge, and recommend an exchange of representatives.

Fraternally submitted,
WILLIAM A. MCGONAGLE,
HENRY M. TUSLER,
CHAS. L. WEST,
J. D. MARKHAM,
D. R. THOMPSON,
IRVING TODD,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on appeals and grievances beg leave to report as follows:

In the matter of the late Fosston Lodge No. 206, we would recommend that Bro. Joel Fogelberg of said Lodge be summoned to appear before the M. W. Grand Lodge, at its next annual communication, to show cause why he should not be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry for ignoring the official communication of the Grand Secretary.

In the matter of the charges preferred by Bro. Emanuel Arntson against Bro. H. J. Herder, W. M. of Red Wing Lodge No. 8, your Committee will recommend that said charges be referred to a special Committee of three to take evidence and report at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

That the resolution by Fairfax Lodge No. 261, asking for the restoration of Bro. Chas. F. Thiele, who was expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry March 2, 1908, be delayed until the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge, as per Section 558 of the Masonic Code.

That the matter of Bro. Joseph Van Sickle, appealing from the decision of Mystic Lodge No. 213, expelling said Bro. Van Sickle from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be deferred, as requested by Bro. Van Sickle.

Fraternally submitted,
A. BRANDENBURG,
A. T. FIDDES,
M. O. NELSON,
C. E. BRADEN,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the Reports, Books, and Vouchers of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer, and find them to agree in every particular. We have also examined the Securities and Bank Books of the Grand Treasurer and find them to be in accordance with his report and with the report of the Auditor.

We find the finances of the Grand Lodge to be in a satisfactory condition, as the following summary shows:

Cash in General Fund	\$13,416.19
Cash in Widows' and Orphans' Fund	2,529.63
Bonds	58,000.00
	\$73,945.82

We have also examined the report of the accountant and the recommendations therein contained, and we recommend:

1st.—That the Grand Lodge ratify and confirm the issuing and paying of Warrant No. 47. This Warrant was issued to refund overpayments made by Lodges last year as reported by the Committee on Returns, no appropriation being made for that purpose.

2nd.—That the Grand Secretary be authorized to purchase a specially ruled cash book for the Grand Secretary's use at an expense not to exceed \$25.00.

The Grand Lodge last year, having authorized the Grand Master to annually employ an accountant to audit the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and in accordance with the recommendation in the address of the Grand Master, we would respectfully recommend that the 13th subdivision of Section 76, Article III, General Regulations, be amended to read as follows:

13th.—On Returns.—A Committee of three, to whom shall be referred any matters relating to Returns of our Lodges for examination and report.

We commend the wisdom of the action of the Grand Lodge in authorizing the Grand Master to appoint an expert accountant to audit the books and reports of the Grand Lodge Officers, and recommend that hereafter said accountant also examine the Returns of the Subordinate Lodges.

We recommend that the accountant, appointed by the Grand

Master to audit the books prior to this Session be paid \$20.00 for his services.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

A. T. STEBBINS,
RALPH D. WEBB,
E. H. SHERWIN,

Committee.

Adopted.

The Grand Lodge at 12 m. was called from labor to refreshment until 1:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 21, 1909.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 1:30 p. m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESIDUE OF ADDRESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the residue of the address of the M. W. Grand Master, not otherwise referred, heartily endorse the same and recommend its approval. We approve the personal visitations of the Grand Master to the Lodges, and recommend that this practice be continued in the future, knowing that great benefits will be derived from such visits and will be fully appreciated by the Lodges throughout the State.

We endorse the recommendation of the Grand Master with respect to the examination of visitors and put considerable stress upon the visitors carrying their receipt card showing that they are in good standing which will greatly facilitate the examination.

We heartily approve the schools of instruction, and suggest that the number of schools be greatly increased in the near future.

We suggest that the Grand Master use his best efforts in securing the best District Deputies available, who will perform their duties conscientiously, that the best results may be secured.

E. A. KREMER,
T. P. EDWARDS,

Committee.

Adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Returns beg leave to report as follows:

The returns from the following Lodges have no seal: Hope 42, Watertown 50, made same error last year; Josephus 128, Walnut 136, Rough Ashler 177, Ionic 186, Kenyon 201, Itasca 208, Evansville 214, Lake Wilson 262.

The following Lodges have overpaid as follows: Monticello No. 16, \$2.40; Morning Star No. 29, \$1.20; Oriental No. 34, \$1.00; Concord No. 47, 80c; Mystic Circle No. 78, 80c; Constellation No. 81, \$1.00; Golden Fleece No. 89, \$2.70; Unity No. 93, \$1.00; Relief No. 108, \$1.00; Pickwick No. 110, 40c; Lafayette No. 116, 40c; Granite No. 117, 80c; Kellogg No. 122, 40c; Moorhead No. 126, \$2.20; Josephus No. 128, 40c; Currie No. 142, 40c; Bird Island No. 144, 80c; Quarry No. 148, 40c; Kodahya No. 153, 80c; Sincerity No. 161, \$1.20; Pierson No. 169, 80c; Fulda No. 170, \$1.60; Ionic No. 186, \$3.00; Crow River No. 192, \$1.00; Renville No. 195, \$1.20; Itasca No. 208, \$5.00; Columbian No. 210, \$1.60; Argyle No. 215, 80c; Minnesota No. 224, \$2.00; Alpha No. 230, 40c; Equality No. 238, 80c; Astra No. 240, \$1.20; Cass No. 243, 40c; but were short 40c last year; Coteau No. 244, 60c; Fides No. 246, 40c; Dexter No. 253, 80c; Lake Wilson No. 262, \$1.00; Tusler No. 263, \$3.60; Compass No. 265, \$2.00; Osiris U. D., \$2.50.

Of the above, Morning Star No. 29, Josephus No. 128, Fulda No. 170, Ionic No. 186, Columbian No. 210, Equality No. 238, Cass No. 243, Fides No. 246, and Dexter No. 253, made same error last year.

The following Lodges owe as follows: Minneapolis No. 19, \$1.20; Caledonia No. 20, 40c; North Star No. 23, 40c; Meridian No. 56, 40c; Mystic Star No. 69, \$1.00; Hiram Abi No. 83, 40c; Keystone No. 94, 40c; Fraternity No. 101, \$2.00; Mount Tabor No. 106, 80c; Excelsior No. 113, \$2.40; Alma No. 131, \$1.00; Canby No. 147, 40c; Valley No. 174, \$1.00; Fairhaven No. 182, 40c; Amboy No. 193, 40c; Murray No. 199, \$2.00; Stewartville No. 203, \$2.00; Friendship No. 211, 40c; Equity No. 221, \$1.20; Park Region No. 227, \$1.60; Sandstone No. 234, 40c; Ruthton No. 242, 80c; Canisteo U. D., \$2.00.

Of the above, Park Region No. 227 made the same error last year. Watertown No. 50, and Warroad No 267 not signed by Worshipful Master.

The following Lodges pay for degrees conferred in previous years: Summit No. 163, Braden No. 168, Shekinah No. 171, failed to report last year for 1 initiated; Euclid No. 198, 6 initiated and 1 passed in 1907.

Many secretaries fail to fill in the names of those initiated and

passed in previous years, in red ink, as required by printed instructions on blanks, thereby causing much trouble and annoyance to the Grand Secretary as well as the Committee. We must insist on this being done.

The following is a list of Lodges whose returns reached the Grand Secretary's office after January 6th: Monticello No. 16, received Jan. 13th; North Star No. 23, Jan. 12th; Star in the East No. 33, Jan. 8th; Tuscan No. 77, Jan. 8th; Mystic Circle No. 78, Jan. 9th; Unity No. 93, Jan. 8th; Charity No. 98, Jan. 11th; Kodahya No. 153, Jan. 11th; Roman Eagle No. 175, Jan. 8th; Ionic No. 186, Jan. 8th; Mizpah No. 191, Crow River No. 192, Jan. 8th; Geneva No. 196, Jan. 12th; Olivia No. 220, Jan. 13th; Vernon Center No. 228, Jan. 8th; Cass No. 243, Jan. 16th; Montgomery No. 258, Jan. 9th.

All of the above Lodges are not entitled to mileage and per diem for their representatives at this communication, but your Committee recommends that Monticello No. 16 be excepted on account of change of Secretary, also North Star No. 23. Montgomery No. 258 returns in on time but cash not in until later. Unity No. 93, excused on account of absence of Secretary. Kodahya No. 153, absence of Secretary. Ionic No. 186, change in Secretary. Mizpah No. 191, Geneva No. 196, and Vernon Center No. 228, for reasons satisfactory to this Committee.

Returns not received: Western Star No. 26, Henderson No. 80, Mizpah No. 191, Mora No. 223, Raymond No. 248, Onyx No. 266, and these Lodges are not entitled to mileage and per diem.

Certificates not dated: Washington No. 38, Evergreen No. 46, Lebanon No. 102, Relief No. 108, Walnut No. 136, Renville No. 195, Geneva No. 196, Bemidji No. 233, Coteau No. 244, Dexter No. 253.

Granite No. 117, Park Region No. 227, Secretaries do not reply to Grand Secretary's letters, and Grand Lodge Records cannot be completed until they do.

Errors noted: Valley No. 174 reports 2 joined, should be 4; Olivia No. 222, 1 died, no name given.

The foregoing report shows that there has been no improvement over former years. Your Committee, in checking these returns, has, in a great number of instances, been obliged to go back to returns of former years, as far back as 1874, in order to make this report correct up to this date.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary, in his circular to Lodges after the close of this session, lay particular stress on having Lodge Secretaries study this report and ask for advice if necessary.

As noted in the report, many Lodges make the same error year after year. To try and save further errors and to simplify the work of returns, both for Secretaries, the Grand Secretary and your Re-

turns Committee, we have prepared a form suitable for Lodge returns, which has the approval of the Grand Secretary, and we recommend the adoption of such form for distribution to Lodges during this year.

In our work this year, which has been more comprehensive than in former years, we are under obligation to the Grand Secretary, who has given us valued assistance. Quick, alert, thoroughly familiar with the records, he has been ever courteous, and we appreciate his assistance highly.

In the hope that representatives of Lodges present will caution their Secretaries regarding returns, to facilitate the work of the Grand Secretary, and this Committee, we submit this report.

J. T. JOHNSON,

O. C. HANSON,

C. M. JOHNSON,

Committee.

Adopted.

The hour for election of Grand Officers having arrived, Brothers Theo. A. Schocht (21), Albert Roberson (40), G. D. Adams (19), and Hayden French (143) were appointed as tellers and the Grand Master ordered the election to proceed. The ballot resulted in the election of the following Grand Officers for the ensuing year:

Eugene E. Swan, Stewart.....	M.'. W.'. Grand Master
William B. Patton, Duluth.....	R.'. W.'. Deputy Grand Master
Elmer A. Kling, Little Falls.....	R.'. W.'. Senior Grand Warden
Owen Morris, St. Paul.....	R.'. W.'. Junior Grand Warden
David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis.....	R.'. W.'. Grand Treasurer
John Fishel, St. Paul.....	R.'. W.'. Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Bro. Swan as Grand Master, the Past Grand Masters present retired by request of the Grand Master and returned to the Hall, escorting the Grand Master elect, who was formally presented and received with the Grand Honors. Grand Master Roberts then conducted Bro. Swan to the East, where the latter eloquently expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him,

While the ballots were being counted the reports of several committees were presented and acted upon.

The Grand Secretary read correspondence between himself and the Secretary of Mystic Star Lodge No. 78. The W.'. M.'. of that Lodge was called upon to make any statement he might desire, but did not respond.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

Bro. J. H. Sprout (57) presented the following report of the Board of Custodians, which was accepted and ordered printed in the proceedings.

To the M.'. W.'. Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Masons of Minnesota:

The Board of Custodians would respectfully report, that in accordance with the provisions of Section 148 of the Masonic Code, they held their regular annual meeting during the week immediately preceding the convening of this Grand Lodge in the City of St. Paul, for the purpose of reviewing the work and lectures pertaining to the first three degrees of Masonry, and giving instruction therein to such of the brethren as presented themselves to receive the same.

They held three sessions each day, during which time the full Board was in attendance. There were present to receive such instruction 209 brethren, mostly Masters and Wardens, representing 126 Lodges in this jurisdiction, numbered as follows, to-wit: Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 28, 30, 32, 36, 39, 41, 55, 56, 58, 63, 69, 78, 79, 83, 84, 86, 87, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 97, 101, 102, 108, 109, 111, 114, 116, 121, 122, 128, 129, 134, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 146, 147, 149, 150, 154, 156, 157, 158, 159, 163, 164, 166, 168, 171, 173, 176, 177, 180, 184, 185, 186, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 200, 202, 204, 207, 208, 210, 211, 212, 214, 216, 217, 219, 221, 222, 224, 225, 227, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 236, 238, 242, 243, 245, 246, 249, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 259, 263, 264, 266, 267, 268 and 269.

This shows that there were members present, and more Lodges represented than at any previous annual meeting since the Board was organized; and it is a source of gratification to the members of the Board, that they are conscientiously able to report a very marked degree of improvement among the brethren, in the work and lectures, as the same are given in this jurisdiction. We are encour-

aged in the belief that a goodly number of the Lodges have been greatly benefited by reason of the instruction which they have received in these schools.

We would take advantage of this opportunity to assure the M. W. Grand Master and other Grand and Past Grand Officers that we fully appreciate the interest which they have manifested in the work of the Board by their attendance at so many of its sessions, believing, as we do, that their attendance has in large measure, contributed to the success of our efforts.

DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Chairman.

J. H. SPROUT, Secretary.

Bro. O. M. Henderson, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, announced that the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was in session and was directed to convey to that Grand Lodge the fraternal greetings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Bro. Henderson transmitted the following telegram:

Grand Master, Masonic Grand Lodge, Hartford, Conn.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota, now in session, extends to the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, through her Representative, fraternal greetings.

OLIVER M. HENDERSON.

The following response was received:

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 21, 1909.

Oliver M. Henderson, Masonic Temple, St. Paul, Minn.

Grand Lodge of Connecticut, in annual communication, appreciates kind words and reciprocates with fraternal greetings.

EDWARD S. FULLER, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Utah, announced that the Grand Lodge of Utah was also in session and he was instructed to send a telegram of fraternal greeting to that Grand Lodge. Bro. Tusler transmitted the following telegram:

Grand Master, Grand Lodge Masons,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Grand Lodge Minnesota, now in session, directs me to extend to Grand Lodge Utah its congratulations and fraternal greetings.

HENRY M. TUSLER.

To which the following response was received:

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 21, 1909.

Henry M. Tusler, Masonic Temple,
St. Paul, Minn.

Grand Lodge of Utah closed harmonious session. Hail to Minnesota.

CHRISTOPHER DIEHL,
Grand Secretary.

M. W. Bro. Henry R. Denny offered the following resolution, which was adopted by more than a two-thirds majority, only three Representatives voting in the negative:

Resolved, that Section 41 of Article VI of the Constitution be amended by adding at the end of said Section the following:

But the interest on said fund may be used for any Masonic charitable purpose.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota now in session:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to which was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to decisions made, dispensations granted, and By-Laws approved, respectfully report:

1st.—That they have carefully considered the same and find them to be in accordance with Masonic Law and usage, and recommend that they be approved.

2nd.—We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution of 1896, page 51, of the Grand Lodge proceedings be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "but the mere convenience of the Lodge or its Master, or economy of expense to the Lodge is not to be considered a sufficient reason for applying for or granting such dispensation."

3rd.—We have considered that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to Masonic Code, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the incoming Grand Master, whose duty shall be to prepare a new and revised edition of the Masonic Code, with authority to make such

revision, omissions, and rearrangement of matter as may seem best, with instructions to report at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge, and that the sum of Six hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the General Fund of this Grand Lodge to pay the compensation and expenses of such Committee in making such revision.

We recommend also the adoption of the following resolutions introduced by Bro. Irving Todd and referred to this Committee:

Resolved, That the resolution of 1875, page forty-three, relating to compensation of the Grand Secretary for signing and sealing of Certificates, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the resolution of 1885, page twenty-eight, relating to the forwarding of Lodge returns to the Grand Secretary, be and hereby is amended by striking out the word "second" at the end of the second line and inserting the word "sixth."

We recommend that the resolution introduced by Bro. Mitchell, and referred to this Committee, be referred to the Grand Secretary, with power to act.

Fraternally submitted,

H. R. WELLS,

H. R. DENNY.

G. S. IVES,

C. L. BROWN,

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,

Committee.

The resolutions were taken up separately and adopted, after which the report was adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums be appropriated from the General Fund of this Grand Lodge for the following purposes:

Grand Master William P. Roberts, expenses for past year..	\$ 300.00
Grand Secretary, Salary for 1909.....	1,400.00
Grand Secretary, 2 assistants, session 1909.....	30.00
Grand Secretary, Contingent Expenses for the year 1909,	
payable the first of each month for the preceding month's	
expenses, to include proper blanks, upon proper vouchers,	
not exceeding the sum of (or so much thereof as	
may be necessary), and this to include expenses as recommended by the Grand Master on ceremonials.....	300.00

Grand Secretary, Office rent (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	360.00
Grand Secretary, for official bond (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	15.00
Grand Secretary, one assistant (or so much thereof as may be necessary), and that the card index system, as recommended by the Grand Master, be installed.....	900.00
Expenses, furniture and supplies incident to the installation of card index system	150.00
Grand Tyler	25.00
Assistant Grand Tylers	20.00
Printing for the year 1909 (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	600.00
Pictures of Grand Master for Proceedings (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	50.00
Board of Custodians (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	400.00
Chairman Committee on Correspondence	100.00
Bond of Grand Treasurer	30.00
Grand Treasurer, Salary	300.00
Fire Insurance	85.00
Pay Roll for 1909 (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	3,000.00
For care of Lodge Rooms and Expenses for Session 1909...	50.00
Binding Proceedings and Periodicals	100.00
Telephone Rent for private line, Grand Secretary's office 1909 (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	90.00
Printing Report Blanks in book form, Annual Reports of Lodges, (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	50.00
For Grand Sword Bearer's and Grand Tyler's swords and belts, and an American flag and shipping cases for same, (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	150.00

We recommend that Warrant No. 47, for the sum of \$72.00, issued in payment of overpayment of Lodge Fees last year, be ratified (same having been overlooked last year), and that \$100 (or so much thereof as may be necessary), be appropriated for the same purpose this year.

We recommend that the sum of \$25.00 (or so much thereof as may be necessary), be appropriated to purchase a specially ruled cash book for the Grand Secretary's use.

We further recommend that the sum of \$20.00 be appropriated for the payment of expert accountant in auditing the books of the Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the following sums be paid to the Masters of their respective Lodges for the relief of the following named persons:

Amboy Lodge No. 193, N. M. Sargent.....	\$100.00
Relief Lodge No. 108, J. E. Getman & wife.....	200.00
Antiquity Lodge No. 91, Widow of Bro. A. D. Welch.....	50.00
Relief Lodge No. 108, Widow of Bro. S. P. Kinney.....	50.00
Preston Lodge No. 36, Bro. John S. Benedict and wife.....	200.00
Evansville Lodge No. 214, funeral expenses, Bro. Carl M. Borgen	61.50
Star Lodge No. 62, Bro. William A. Frazee.....	100.00
Illustrious Lodge No. 63, Bro. Augustus Smith.....	150.00
Illustrious Lodge No. 63, Bro. Andrew Nelson.....	100.00
Sherburne Lodge No. 95, Widow of Bro. P. O. Hawes.....	150.00
Charity Lodge No. 98, Bro. Albert Marden.....	100.00
Orion Lodge No. 138, Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	50.00
Red Wing Lodge No. 8, Bro. John M. Richter.....	100.00
Nicollet Lodge No. 54, Widow of Bro. Thomas Clark.....	100.00
Pleasant Grove No. 22, Bro. James Thrasher and wife.....	100.00
Sakatah Lodge No. 32, Bro. Joseph Batlik.....	100.00
St. Paul Lodge No. 3, Alice Paris Goodrich, in equal monthly payments	240.00
Star in the East Lodge No. 33, Widow of D. B. Johnson.....	100.00

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$550.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated to be expended under the direction of a committee to be appointed by the Grand Master for the purpose of furnishing the office of the Grand Secretary, providing new quarters are obtained.

Your Committee recommend also the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge purchase two (2) certificates of \$500.00 each in the Minnesota Masonic Home, and that the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated from the General Fund for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
GUSTAF WIDELL,
A. C. VOLK,
S. S. SMITH,
E. W. ROSSMAN,
J. A. SEDGWICK,

Committee.

The resolutions appropriating \$550 for furnishing office of Grand Secretary, and \$1,000 for Masonic Home Certificates were taken up separately and adopted, after which the report of the Committee as a whole was adopted.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS.

To the Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations make the following supplementary report:

That the sum of six hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated for the work of revising the Masonic Code, etc., as recommended by the Grand Master and approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Fraternally submitted,

GUSTAF WIDELL,
JULIAN A. SEDGWICK,
A. C. VOLK,

Committee.

MINORITY REPORT.

To the Grand Lodge:

E. W. Rossman, a member of your Committee on Appropriations, to which has been referred the matter of appropriating funds for the compilation of a new Masonic Code, respectfully reports that he has given the matter some consideration, and it would seem, under our present financial circumstances, that in case this Grand Lodge shall see fit to appoint a Committee to prepare such revision, that the expense of such revision be left to succeeding communications of this Grand Lodge.

E. W. ROSSMAN.

Bro. Rossman moved the adoption of the minority report and the motion was seconded by M. W. Bro. Stebbins.

M. W. Bro. Wells explained that the money would only be used as the work was done.

Upon being put to vote the minority report was rejected and the majority report of the Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

The Committee on Unfinished Business, following the foot prints of their "Illustrious Predecessors," desire to report that no incompleteness is manifest, and that nothing prevails in this Grand Jurisdiction except the utmost harmony—so may it always be.

Fraternally submitted,

SAM E. ADAMS,

EDGAR NASH,

GEO. E. SWIFT,

Committee.

Concurred in.

Bro. J. H. Sprout reported verbally that the Committee on Visitors had found nothing to do.

On motion of Bro. W. H. J. Pearce (2) the Grand Secretary was directed to have a list of Clandestine Lodges printed in the proceedings, and to mail two copies of the list to each Lodge in this grand jurisdiction.

The Committee on Pay Roll submitted their report, and were authorized to pay the brethren entitled to mileage and per diem, as soon as the business of the Grand Lodge was completed.

(See Appendix for Pay Roll.)

On motion of Bro. E. A. Smith (129) the usual vote of thanks was tendered the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of the rooms occupied by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master elect named the following brethren as the appointed officers:

W.'. Bro. Robert E. Denfeld, DuluthGrand Orator
 W.'. Bro. Henry Nobbs, St. Paul.....Grand Chaplain
 W.'. Bro. Chas. E. Braden, Minneapolis.....Senior Grand Deacon
 W.'. Bro. John Q. Mackintosh, Stillwater.....Junior Grand Deacon
 W.'. Bro. Hiram C. Bear, St. Charles.....Grand Marshal
 W.'. Bro. Herman Held, New Ulm.....Grand Standard Bearer
 W.'. Bro. Jacob L. Berthold, Perham.....Grand Sword Bearer
 W.'. Bro. Hayden French, Ortonville.....Senior Grand Steward
 W.'. Bro. Harry M. Burnham, Jackson.....Junior Grand Steward
 W.'. Bro. Oliver M. Henderson, Faribault.....Grand Pursuivant
 W.'. Bro. John H. Ludwig, St. Paul.....Grand Tyler

M.'. W.'. Bro. William P. Roberts, assisted by M.'. W.'. Bro. A. T. Stebbins as Grand Marshal, then installed the Grand Officers elected and appointed, except Grand Marshal, who was absent, and who he directed should be installed in his Lodge.

The Grand Master announced the following appointments:

Committee on Correspondence—Bros. Irving Todd (7), John Fishel (190), and A. O. Eberhart (12).

Committee on Returns—Bros. J. T. Johnson (99), Ole C. Hanson (133), C. M. Johnson (164).

Committee on District Deputies—M.'. W.'. Bros. A. D. Countryman, Chas. E. Elmquist (164), E. W. Rossman (56).

Committee on Revision of Masonic Code—M.'. W.'. Bros. William P. Roberts, Henry R. Wells and William A. McGonagle.

Committee to Take Testimony in Herder Case—M.'. W.'. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, Bros. W. Hayes Laird (18), Irving Todd (7).

He also appointed M.'. W.'. Bro. Henry M. Tusler to succeed himself on the Board of Custodians for the term of five years.

On motion of M.'. W.'. Bro. William P. Roberts, the Grand Secretary was directed to have the proceedings printed after approval by the Grand Master.

No further business appearing the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM at 5 p. m., peace and harmony prevailing.

EUGENE E. SWAN,
Grand Master.



ATTEST:

John Finkel
Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

ORATION.

BY WILLIAM C. ODELL.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Wardens and Brethren:

The duties imposed upon me by my induction into the distinguished and honorable position of Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons require of me that I address the Grand Lodge at its present Communication upon the subject of Masonry.

Coming from my country law office up here to this distinguished gathering of Masons, an assemblage composed largely of brethren eminent not only for their achievements in civil life, but also for their great learning and wide knowledge in every field of thought touching the history, the traditions and the teachings of Ancient Craft Masonry, and realizing that such a wealth of Masonic lore has been brought to this Grand Lodge as the fruits of the ability, the eloquence and the labors of those who have preceded me in this important position, that what I shall have to say will be to you "as a thrice-told tale." I am almost lost in wonder at my temerity in undertaking to either instruct or entertain you upon this occasion.

But mindful of the fact that to discharge, to the best of our respective abilities, all duties imposed upon us by the Craft is an obligation resting upon each of us, and with a well-grounded faith in Masonic charity, I ask your attention to a few very commonplace observations upon the history, the traditions and the teachings of Free Masonry.

Since the birth of Speculative Masonry, Masons have been taught in the Lodge room, and are being taught today, that Masonry, as an Order, had its origin during the building by King Solomon of the Temple at Jerusalem and that King Solomon conceived and established the Order and was its first Most Eminent Grand Master; and to the superficial inquirer the teachings of the ritual in that regard afford satisfactory and sufficient proof that the Order first had its being during the building of the Temple, and that it came to us hoary with years and venerable with age in its march

down through the centuries. But the patient, painstaking seeker after truth has been unwilling to rest his belief in the origin of the Order upon its ritualistic teachings, and has gone afield to find outside of the Lodge room and outside of the Lodge ritual evidence to satisfy his mind as to just when the Order had its origin; and thus the history of Masonry became the theme which employed the pen and enlisted the most profound investigation and research of many learned and patient delvers into the tombs of past ages, with the result that although much controversy has arisen, and still exists, the origin and the history of the Order of Free Masonry is yet shrouded in mystery.

While I do not consider it of the highest importance to attempt to trace the origin of Masonry back through the centuries for the purpose of demonstrating that it is of great antiquity, or of advancing the claim that because of its ancient origin it is for that reason, and that alone, the more entitled to our love and veneration; but I conceive it to be of great importance that each member of the Order shall understand and appreciate, to the fullest, the fact that one of the distinguishing characteristics of this institution of Masonry is its stability. Other societies may flourish for a time, may serve the purpose of a locality or a certain class of people—but Free Masonry alone has been able to demonstrate that it is suited to all times, all countries and all classes of men. Other institutions of men rise, flourish, decline, pass away and are forgotten. This one lives and prospers with increasing years; and although its head is hoary with the rime of centuries, it is strong and flourishing, rejoicing as if in perpetual youth, and vigor and usefulness.

And this fact of the stability of the institution is important because in it we may trace some evidence that it was cradled by the hands of the Almighty at a time when the vicious and depraved nature of man was unrestrained by the refining influences of moral law, and that it has prospered and become a power in the land through His own especial guidance and care; and because it demonstrates that it is an institution which has that in it which men want, which men seek; something in consonance with human nature in all ages, countries and climes; and if we could all be brought to a realization of the high character of this institution, as demonstrated by its stability alone, we would more fully appreciate the fact that it is one of the highest honors to be a Free Mason; that this honor is one of which any man, whatever his station in life, should be justly proud, and that he who has been the recipient of that honor occupies a position of great trust and responsibility.

As I have already said, much controversy has arisen, and still exists as to the origin of Masonry, and while no historian, within

or without the Order, has been able to give a satisfactory date for its origin, to my mind the consensus of opinion of well informed Masons is that the Order originated in the associations which were formed during the middle ages by masons and builders, as well as by workmen belonging to other crafts. In those times when a church or other great edifice was in process of construction, workmen were collected from all quarters and encamped in huts around it. They established a regular government with a master at their head, and appointed every tenth man a warden to oversee the others. They ranged from country to country and established themselves wherever they found churches to build. It thus became important for them to be able to make themselves known to each other in strange countries, and hence they devised a system of secret signs and symbols. Whether these associations were also in possession of secret knowledge which was essential in architecture, and was transmitted from one generation to another, is a disputed point. The building of churches, however, was the great work of the times, and the masonic associations were held in high esteem because of the importance of their services in this work. They enjoyed the especial favor and protection of the Pope, and bulls were issued by which peculiar privileges were granted to them. They were exempted from burdens imposed upon other workmen and hence were styled "free" masons. Men of eminence, both ecclesiastics and laymen, who were not actually employed in building, either as architects or masons, became members of the Order, and the institution flourished in much vigor through the middle ages, and with slight modifications from time to time, though always essentially the same, until finally, through a long course of evolution, it appeared at the revival of 1717, its operative feature eliminated, as Speculative Masonry.

I have given the foregoing account of the origin of the Order as containing what I conceive to be the consensus of opinion of well informed thinkers and writers touching the subject, but there is much force in the contentions advanced by those who attribute to it an origin much more ancient. As was well said by an eminent member of this Grand Lodge, now deceased, "We may admit that the old legends of Masonry, many of which have become obsolete, found in the old records and constitutions of the Order, as those of Lamech, Jabal, Tubal Cain, Nimrod, Enoch, Euclid, of Hiram Abif, the Solomonic Temple, and others, are untrue and worthless as matters of Masonic history, yet the very fact of the creation of these legends, many of them so long ago, attempting to account thus for the origin of this Order then unknown, indicates with some force that the origin may rest very far back in antiquity. And who will explain to us with any degree of certainty what means the

clearly Masonic symbols and emblems which appear on ancient ruins, pyramids, monuments, obelisks, temples, both in the old and new world? Structures so old that the names of their builders are lost in the forgotten ages of the past. Brethren, these pyramids and ancient ruins have not yet given up their secrets." The foundations of Masonry are one thing—the Order itself another. The foundations stretch away back into the long, dim ages of the past, though the superstructure, the Order itself, may have been begun only at the time which separates the modern from the ancient. On the pyramids or on the obelisks we may find the rough and smooth ashlar, the trestleboard with its designs, the plumb, square and compass, and we may draw from this the conclusion that they indicate the teaching of our symbolic degrees; but so long as we cannot connect them with the Order as it now exists we cannot prove that these Masonic emblems establish the existence of the Order at a time ante-dating the erection of the pyramids and obelisks, because they may only suggest the growth of architecture and the symbols of some ancient and forgotten Order.

While it will thus be seen that the pathway of the history of the institution of Masonry is broken and obscure, and that it leads with no degree of certainty to any particular time as the age which witnessed the birth of the institution, "this we know, that we stand today in the presence, and at this time are doing the work, of the oldest of merely human institutions, one which spans in age many of the centuries of the past as it will those of the future, all fanatical or other opposition to the contrary notwithstanding."

Before leaving this subject and as an introduction to and in connection with what I shall have to say concerning the traditions and teachings of the Order, I wish to call your attention to the claims as to the origin and early history advanced by one class of thinkers and writers. It is claimed by some that Masonry "has no history aside from and independent of its traditions, and that its history, and, therefore, its origin, is inseparably interwoven with its traditions and its teachings," and that as all Masonic traditions and all lectures and ceremonies of Ancient Craft Masonry point to the period during which the Temple was being erected as the time which witnessed the birth of the Order, and to King Solomon as the one who conceived the plan and became the first great teacher of the craft, the well informed Mason is constrained by the very force of such traditions and teachings to accept as true the claims which Masonry thus puts forth as to its origin; and that if such traditions and teachings do not establish the authenticity of the claim that Masonry was founded during the building of the Temple, then "all our talk about Ancient Landmarks and Ancient Usages becomes an

idle tale," and those beautiful rites and ceremonies designed, as we are told, to imprint upon the memory wise and serious truths, cease to be entitled to our regard as containing within themselves representations which are not true and pretensions having no foundation in fact, and while the excellent lessons taught by the beautiful system of Masonry would remain, if its forms and ceremonies and the reason for their use are false, such forms and ceremonies should be indignantly rejected.

This theory, to my mind, magnifies the importance of the origin—the mere history of the Order,—and overlooks the well recognized truth that "Masonry is a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols." In order to firmly imprint upon the memory of him who seeks a knowledge of its mysteries the great and important truths it is designed and ordained to teach, and to make those truths a part of the moral fibre of his being, Masonry clothes those truths in allegorical and symbolical garments as being the most effective way of reaching the mind and conscience of man. The naked truth appeals to man's reason, the mysterious appeals to his emotions.

Man is gifted with reason but do men, as a rule, exercise the reasoning faculty in a search for those sublime truths which teach man how to live and how to die? How, then, should these truths be taught? How can purity, honor and chastity, courage and fidelity, be best propagated among men? Does not the experience of mankind bear testimony to the fact that humanity does not over-exert itself with reasoning upon the problems of human life; that the world at large concerns itself very little with these problems and does not bring to their solution the reasoning powers of the human mind? How, then, can these great truths be instilled into the mind and conscience of man? By appealing to the emotions which sway humanity as the slender blade of grass is swayed by the passing breeze—"The world to most men is but the mere passing from one eternity to another, from one stage of oblivion to another, a short spell robbed from the bosom of eternity in which to eat and to drink and to be merry." If we would have man pause in his pursuit of the vanities and superfluities of life to lay hold of some great truth we must make that truth attractive to him: And so Masonry clothes its truths with mystery,—attires them in apparently unintelligible forms and ceremonies,—arrays them in a garb the most attractive as an appeal to the emotional side of man's nature, so that man will seek to penetrate the mysteries, will endeavor to ponder the secrets which may be imparted to him, and that those truths, when once they stand revealed in all their simplicity, will make an indelible impression upon the mind and sink deep into the

heart and conscience of him to whom they shall be thus revealed. Therein, my brethren, and therein alone, lies the true value of the symbolical teachings of our Order.

What then does Masonry teach? The great central truth taught by Masonry, the one around which revolves all other truths, is the existence of the one only living and true God, and no man ever entered within the veil of its holy sanctuary without being taught to venerate His holy name, and to love and adore Him as the Chief Good. And what a great truth, and how far reaching—God means government, order, harmony. God means life, death and immortality. In that central truth lies the germ of our whole system of moral and Masonic philosophy.

It teaches man to square his actions by the square of virtue, and to keep his passions within due bounds with all mankind.

It teaches the equality of all men before God and before the Law, and the obligation resting upon all men to obey the moral law.

It teaches the exercise of that toleration which grants to others the same right to entertain and express opinions which one claims for himself.

It teaches respect for and obedience to the civil government and the laws under which we live.

It teaches the cultivation and practical application of that broad charity which "thinketh no evil," and bestows its bounties upon the needy with open hand.

It teaches the promotion of "peace on earth," "good will to men."

It teaches that the Holy Bible is given as the rule and guide of faith, and enjoins, in the most solemn manner the study of God's Holy Law as therein written and the practice of its precepts.

These, my brethren, are some among the teachings of Masonry. Does man need these teachings? Does he require the moral strength of the Scriptural wisdom as an eloquent reminder of that Deity before whom the Entered Apprentice and the Master alike should bow with reverence? Are the Great Lights of Masonry the chapters of a system of philosophy, designed to enhance the Mason's happiness, to solve his problems, to reconcile him to the inevitable destiny of man and to lead him to immortality? An answer to these questions is an answer to the mysteries.

It is a matter of common, and, I might almost say, of universal knowledge that Masonry numbers among its adherents many of the wisest, most eminent and most upright men in all walks of life. Visit any community on the face of the civilized globe; search out in that community the man whose steps have trodden the pathway

which leads to a revelation of the mysteries of Masonry, and whose heart has been touched by its teachings, and you will find that man standing in the foremost rank of the good citizenship of that community. Of such men is the membership of the Order composed today, and the greatest and best of men in all ages since Masonry first had its birth have been encouragers and promoters of the art. Look around you upon the membership of this Grand Lodge. Here you see gathered around the Altar of Masonry men eminent in the learned professions: divines, celebrated for their eloquence and zeal; judges of our courts of justice; lawyers, learned and of extensive practice; physicians of great skill and high repute; professors from our colleges and institutions of learning; successful merchants, manufacturers, farmers and mechanics, all assembled here to work together for the good of Masonry. Yea, more. You see here, participating in the active work of this Grand Body, brethren whose locks have whitened under the influences of time since first they gave to the craft in this grand jurisdiction the benefit of their wisdom, their knowledge and their experience, and who have come here, year after year, to add their valuable counsel to the deliberations of this Grand Body, prompted solely so to do by their zeal and fidelity to the cause of Masonry. Can we not see in all of this evidence, conclusive in its character, that there is something in Masonry which man wants; something that man needs, and that when once his heart has been touched by the benign and ennobling influences of its teachings Masonry enchains and holds the love and veneration of its votary, and binds him to it as with hoops of steel, until it has become a trite saying, "once a Mason always a Mason."

We know, then, that Masonry is ancient, as having subsisted from time immemorial, and that it is honorable as tending in every particular so to render all men who will be conformable to its precepts. Is there still work for it to do in the mission it was ordained and sent forth to accomplish? And in answering this question, my brethren, let us bear in mind that a strict adherence to moral teachings has always been the guiding star of Masonry; that throughout all the different stages of its existence not once has its banner been unfurled, except in the ranks of those who espoused the cause of morality in its most elevated acceptation; and that it now seeks to inculcate all of the moral precepts of the Holy Bible, and to persuade all men who come within its influence to search that record and to accept it as the rule and guide of faith. And, while designed to inculcate these great moral lessons, it does not pretend to offer any substitute for the Christian Religion, or seek to usurp the legitimate field of the Christian Churches. It is the

handmaid of the Churches. And they go forth through the world, not as enemies, but hand in hand, with the same Bible between them, and the same God above them, on their common mission of "good will to men," and so long as the Churches have a mission to accomplish as the great civilizer that must meet and battle with the popular vices of the day and bring mankind to the contemplation of things divine and to a knowledge of the great plan of redemption, so long will Masonry have a mission as an encourager and a supporter of the Churches in their work of carrying the true religion to all those who wander in sin and moral darkness.

Has the spirit of fraternity pervaded the world when we can see about us evidences of colossal fortunes on the one hand, and want, misery and destitution on the other; when the few hold millions of dollars while millions of men and women and children are in want?

Is the spirit of fraternity abroad in the land when we see arrayed on the one side organized capital, and on the other side organized labor—and while these two great forces are lining up for a battle for supremacy, the honest toiler, the victim of the strike or the lock-out, is forced to beg of his fellow man for leave to "toil" for his daily bread?

Is the spirit of fraternity abroad in the land when Intemperance fills the land with widows and orphans and want and misery; stocks the earth with drunkards' graves, and fills the workhouses and jails and prisons with its victims?

Is the spirit of fraternity abroad in the land when crime pours its ceaseless stream through all the earth and gloomy prisons rear themselves on every hand; when ignorance and superstition and bigotry and intolerance abound; when the gaunt victims of disease, misery and destitution march in steady procession to untimely graves?

All these things teach us that the night of sin and sorrow and crime and greed has not yet passed away, and that there yet remains much to be done to hasten the dawn of the full morning of righteousness and joy and virtue and charity. And here Masonry has its mission, not as an order, indeed, but as men who are Masons, with the teachings of Masonry in their hearts.

Then, again, the mutterings of Socialism and Anarchism, heard on every hand, teach us that those forces of unrest and chaos still menace the sanctity of the home, the rights of property and the safety of the State; charges of corruption in high official positions of trust and honor salute our ears; our courts of justice are assailed with vicious and malignant charges designed to undermine the respect of the citizen for the judiciary and to encourage contempt

of its proceedings and its mandates, and thus to paralyze its usefulness. Here Masonry has its mission. The mission of inculcating respect for and obedience to the law of the land; of carrying the teachings of the "square" to public as well as private station, and in upholding and maintaining the authority and the integrity and the independence of our courts of justice, and in enforcing respect for and obedience to their lawful judgments and mandates.

Thus we build a Temple of Masonry, and we build for today, tomorrow and for eternity. The foundation of our building is more durable than the pyramids, for its corner stone is eternal truth. It is constructed of principles and duties involving the relation of man to man and of man to his Maker. Human laws may be changed, amended or repealed, but the laws by which Masonry endures can never be abrogated, for they are inherent in the necessities of society, as they relate to man in the two-fold aspect of designer on earth and heir of immortality.

I do not propose at this time, or elsewhere, to attempt any answer to the objections which are oftentimes urged against Masonic Institution. To all those who profess to be able to see nothing of good in its teachings and who profess to believe that the world would do better did it not exist, I have but to say if the sacred truths which our institution teaches make us better men, better citizens, is it not worthy to receive the hearty commendation of all good and virtuous men? And if it shall be able to lead us to the contemplation of the enduring blessings of another and a better world, if it point thus to the great book of nature and revelation as the source from which we may learn to escape impending ruin and lay hold of the hope set before us, then should it not commend the prayers of the virtuous, and should it not have, as we believe it always has had, the strong arm of Jehovah to succor and sustain it through all time?

Then, my brethren, let us go on in the even tenor of our way, teaching Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, with the motto, Faith, Hope and Charity. Let us strive to make Masonry what God designed it should be, a moral preparation for holier things, a stepping stone from virtue to grace, a handmaid to lead us on by gentle persuasion to higher and nobler duties, and God, who never yet has withheld the protection of His outstretched arm, will continue to shield and defend it from all ills, to continue to bless and save mankind.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF MINNESOTA MASONIC HOME ASSOCIATION.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

In accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Minnesota Masonic Home, the following report of the transactions of said Association for the past year is hereby submitted:

According to the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of this Association, it appears that the receipts for the past year amount to the sum of \$1,043.61; disbursements, nothing.

That of this amount the sum of \$221.19 was received as interest on loans made by the Association at the rate of five and one-half per cent interest.

It also appears that the amount of funds now available for the purposes of a Home, including the amount held by the order of the Eastern Star, is about \$12,000.00.

At the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, the report of this Association contained the statement that, owing to the financial conditions existing during the greater portion of the year, no special efforts had been made to secure subscriptions to this fund, and that it was not the purpose of the Board of Trustees to commence active work in this behalf until the times and conditions were more propitious.

During the present year, although times have somewhat improved, it has not been considered wise or prudent to press this work among the Lodges, and this will account for the comparatively small amount received.

It would seem, however, that conditions will warrant greater exertions along this line the coming year, and we confidently expect that the report of this Association at the next Annual Communication will show a substantial increase in this fund.

Other states are showing commendable progress in this work, and there is no reason why Minnesota, with all its wealth and resources, should continue at the rear of the procession. From reports recently received, it appears that in twenty of the United States there is now in active and successful operation twenty-two Masonic Homes, containing at the close of the year 1907, 2,250 inmates; and that in nineteen other states or jurisdictions, including Minnesota, the brethren are raising money for this purpose. Such jurisdictions as Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Idaho and Arkansas having respectively on hand at the time above stated: \$55,000.00, \$50,000.00, \$48,178.00 and \$40,000.00.

It also appears that the amount invested or held for these purposes, including the estimated value of the property of the Homes already in operation (and not including the amount held in the Widow and Orphans fund for local relief), in the various states is the sum of \$5,511,596.00.

It will thus be seen what the Brethren are doing in other Jurisdictions of this country in the cause of building up houses of refuge for those in distress, and we confidently hope that it may serve as an incentive for greater exertions on our part in aid of this noble charity and for the benefit of those who may need our aid.

Under the provisions of the constitution of this Association the sum of \$100,000.00 must be raised before any measures are inaugurated for the location or construction of a Home. It must be apparent, therefore, that in the inception of this movement, the subscriptions must come largely from the Lodges and other Masonic organizations, until the fund shall have reached such proportions as to indicate a certain and speedy accomplishment of the enterprise; at which time it will not be difficult to interest individual members of the fraternity in this cause.

Bearing this in view, we have two provisions of our constitution under which applications can be made to the Lodges for aid.

One is, that upon the payment of the sum of five hundred dollars to the Association a certificate will be issued entitling the donor to appoint one person to the Home for life.

It will appear at once that this is a very valuable right, given upon the payment of a very small sum.

The income on \$500.00 would not be much more than sufficient to furnish such person with tea and tobacco, yet the Association will assume complete care of such individual during life and furnish everything necessary, including proper medical attendance for the payment in advance of this comparatively small sum.

This right must also prove of great advantage to many Lodges which are compelled to make large appropriations from their treasuries for the support and care of some needy person, suffering under some permanent disability.

There is no doubt that this provision will also be taken advantage of by individuals, either for themselves or for the benefit of others, as soon as it can be determined with some reasonable certainty as to about what time the Home will be constructed and ready for occupancy.

An example of this was shown during the past year, when a well known citizen and worthy brother was willing to pay to the Association the sum of \$1,000.00 at once, provided he could be assured that he should be cared for in the Home at such time as he would

be unable to care for himself. Not being able to give such assurance this opportunity to obtain a substantial addition to this fund was lost.

Lodges unable to pay the full amount required to secure this certificate, may pay this amount in installments, in which case a resolution should be adopted by the Lodge agreeing to take such certificate and the first installment sent to the Secretary of this Association with a copy of the resolution of the Lodge.

Another provision of our constitution is for Lodge membership in this Association, entitling it and its members to all the benefits and privileges of the Association, including a voice in the selection of a site. We should have at least one hundred of these memberships during the present year.

In order to start this movement among the Lodges it is hereby recommended that this Grand Lodge make an appropriation out of its general fund of \$1,000.00, to be employed in the purchase of two of the above certificates, thereby entitling it to place two persons in the Home as soon as completed and thereby relieving this Grand Body from large annual appropriation now made for this very purpose.

We further recommend and earnestly request that the members of the various subordinate Lodges present at this Grand Lodge, take this matter up at the first convenient opportunity on their return and endeavor to secure favorable action upon at least one of the above propositions, in every Lodge not yet represented in this Association.

Fraternally submitted,
GIDEON S. IVES,
President of Minnesota Masonic Home.

APPENDIX C—GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24, 1853, TO THE PRESENT TIME

Date Installed	Grand Master	No.	Deputy G. M.	No.	Senior G. W.	No.	Junior G. W.	No.	G. Treasurer	No.	G. Secretary	No.
Feb. 3, 1853	A. E. Ames*	2	A. Goodrich*	3	D. F. Brawley*	3	A. Van Vorhes*	1	E. Case*	1	J. G. Lennor*	2
Jan. 5, 1854	A. M. Sherburne*	5	A. D. F. Brawley*	3	A. Van Vorhes*	3	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	E. Case*	5	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 24, 1855	A. T. C. Pierson*	2	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	C. A. T. Stearns*	1	A. A. Van Vorhes*	2	E. Case*	2	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 11, 1856	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	A. H. N. Setzer*	1	T. J. Lombard*	6	A. A. Hodgson†	4	E. Case*	4	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 8, 1857	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	Wm. H. Mower*	1	E. A. Hodgson†	1	Wm. Lee*	7	E. Case*	7	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Jan. 8, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	Frank Mantor*	11	A. C. Smith*	16	E. Case*	16	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Jan. 27, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	Frank Mantor*	11	Samuel E. Adams	16	E. Case*	16	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Oct. 26, 1859	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	Sam I. E. Adams	16	J. C. W. Thompson*	9	E. Case*	9	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Oct. 25, 1860	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	J. C. Whipple*	16	J. C. W. Thompson*	17	E. Case*	17	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Oct. 23, 1861	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	J. C. Whipple*	9	L. E. Thompson*	1	Geo. Bridley*	31	E. Case*	31	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Oct. 28, 1863†	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	L. E. Thompson*	1	C. H. Lindley†	21	W. T. Rigby*	28	E. Case*	28	Geo. W. Prescott†	4
Oct. 26, 1864	Geo. W. Prescott	5	L. E. Thompson*	18	E. C. Wells*	31	A. B. Curry†	33	Geo. L. Ois*	33	A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Oct. 25, 1865	Chas. W. Nash	35	P. P. Hubbell*	28	R. B. Cooley*	11	A. J. Phelps†	34	Geo. L. Ois*	34	C. W. Carpenter*	5
Oct. 24, 1866	Chas. W. Nash	35	W. T. Rigby*	21	Robert Stewart†	49	A. R. Merrell*	40	Geo. L. Ois*	40	Wm. S. Combs	5
Oct. 23, 1867	Chas. W. Nash	35	R. A. Jones*	21	S. R. Merrell*	40	S. Y. Hyde	49	Geo. L. Ois*	49	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 15, 1869†	Chas. W. Nash	35	B. B. Cooley*	11	S. Y. Hyde	49	Fred Jos*	8	Geo. L. Ois*	8	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 13, 1870	Chas. W. Nash	35	G. B. Griswold*	49	E. D. B. Porter†	12	J. W. Morfitt*	33	Geo. L. Ois*	33	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 12, 1872	G. B. Cooley*	11	C. Griswold*	49	E. D. B. Porter†	12	E. P. Barnum†	60	Geo. L. Ois*	60	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 15, 1873	C. Griswold*	49	J. N. Castle*	1	Edgar Nash	79	I. B. Cummings*	18	Geo. L. Ois*	18	E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 15, 1874	C. Griswold*	49	J. N. Castle*	1	Edgar Nash	79	I. B. Cummings*	18	Geo. L. Ois*	18	E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 13, 1875	C. Griswold*	49	J. C. Braden*	89	H. R. Wells	36	A. J. Edgerton*	36	Geo. A. Camp*	36	E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 13, 1876	J. C. Braden*	89	I. B. Cummings*	11	H. R. Wells	36	C. O. Ball*	7	Geo. A. Camp*	7	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 11, 1877	E. W. Durant	89	E. W. Durant	36	L. Z. Rogers*	35	C. N. Daniels*	9	Geo. A. Camp*	9	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 16, 1878	Henry R. Wells	36	H. R. Wells	4	C. H. Benton*	4	Geo. A. Camp*	23	J. H. Thompson*	23	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 15, 1879	Henry R. Wells	36	C. H. Benton*	4	G. H. Davis*	23	J. H. Brown*	104	J. H. Thompson*	104	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 14, 1880	Henry R. Wells	36	C. H. Benton*	23	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	J. H. Thompson*	21	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 12, 1881	Henry R. Wells	36	G. H. Davis*	23	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	J. H. Thompson*	21	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 11, 1882	C. H. Benton*	4	H. R. Davis*	23	R. H. Gove*	111	A. P. Fitch*	47	J. H. Thompson*	47	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 16, 1883	Henry R. Denny	111	Henry R. Denny	21	R. H. Gove*	21	C. H. Smith*	98	J. H. Thompson*	98	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 10, 1884	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. P. Fitch*	47	A. Marden	60	J. H. Thompson*	60	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 13, 1886	R. H. Gove*	21	R. H. Gove*	104	J. A. Kiester*	57	Alphonso Barto*	60	J. H. Thompson*	60	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 12, 1887	J. H. Brown*	104	J. A. Kiester*	57	Alphonso Barto*	60	A. LaDue	11	J. H. Thompson*	11	A. T. C. Pierson*	19

APPENDIX D—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1909.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
1	St. Johns.	Stillwater	Feb. 24, '53	Ira E. King.	C. E. Hawkins.	J. H. Haines	Thomas H. Warren.	1 and 3 Mon
2	Catawba.	Minneapolis.	" 24, '53	Wm. G. Whitcomb.	C. W. Hall	Joseph Armstrong.	Wm. H. J. Pearse.	1 Sat.
3	St. Paul.	St. Paul.	" 24, '53	Thos. P. Edwards.	A. J. Willard.	R. T. Gourley.	Fred'k J. Baister.	1 Fri.
4	Hennepin.	Minneapolis.	" 24, '54	Gus S. Nelson.	Frank S. Pool.	Al. L. Hazey.	Jesse H. Wakeman.	2 and 4 Wed.
5	Anc't Landmark	St. Paul.	" 3, '54	Mark O. Nelson.	Jas. D. Denegre.	O. A. Peterson.	M. T. Emery.	2 and 4 Ths.
7	Dakota.	Hastings.	" 3, '56	A. E. Johnson.	P. F. Torrance.	J. P. Hedlin.	G. H. Diepenbrock.	2 and 4 Wed.
8	Red Wing.	Red Wing.	" 3, '56	Hugo J. Herder.	Chas. L. Kellogg.	S. R. Irvine.	G. H. Diepenbrock.	1 Mon.
9	Faribault.	Faribault.	" 6, '57	J. S. Seelye.	W. A. Richards.	R. O. Eggbrecht.	D. E. Goodman.	2 and 4 Mon.
11	Mankato.	Mankato.	" 6, '57	J. M. Cooper.	W. A. Greeney.	F. T. Currier.	B. T. Monson.	2 and 4 Tues.
12	Monticello.	Wabasha.	" 6, '57	J. W. Bates.	J. C. A. Gengnagel.	J. J. Flachsenhar.	Geo. H. Slocum.	2 and 4 Sat.
14	Wapahosa.	Mankato.	" 6, '57	M. W. Dady.	J. C. A. Gengnagel.	Wm. Peters.	Harry M. Dugan.	1 and 3 Mon.
16	Monticello.	Monticello.	" 8, '57	T. H. Bertram.	J. C. A. Gengnagel.	E. A. Meiske.	M. J. Kingsbury.	1 and 3 Tues.
18	Winona.	Winona.	" 8, '57	Chas. M. Morse.	C. A. Adams.	Louis Lawrence.	E. A. Montgomery.	1 and 3 Wed.
19	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 7, '58	Chas. E. Braden.	G. D. Kroeger.	A. E. Clarendon.	Karl Krick.	2 and 4 Wed.
20	Caledonia.	Caledonia.	" 7, '58	F. B. Collins.	J. W. Potter.	H. C. Suffert.	W. W. Churchill.	2 and 4 Mon.
21	Rochester.	Rochester.	" 8, '58	Theo. A. Schocht.	R. A. Baker.	M. A. Gaskill.	F. W. Nutting.	1 and 3 Tues.
22	Pleasant Grove.	Pleasant Grove.	" 8, '58	C. L. Denny.	Wm. Smith.	Geo. Fordham.	Chas. W. Linwood.	2 and 4 Mon.
23	North Star.	St. Cloud.	" 8, '58	Al. H. Leimbacher.	J. E. Jenks.	Walter Nickern.	Geo. E. Gearey.	1 and 3 Ths.
24	Wilton.	Alma City.	" 8, '58	Wm. M. Griffith.	R. D. Davidson.	W. F. Atcherson.	O. J. Wulf.	1 and 3 Tues.
26	Western Star.	Albert Lea.	Oct. 27, '58	L. J. H. Land.	Chas. Turnbull.	Burt May.	Geo. E. Gearey.	2 and 4 Wed.
27	Blue Earth Valley	Winnebago City.	" 27, '58	W. A. Streator.	E. O. Gulbranson.	F. M. Grinnell.	J. H. Sherin.	2 and 4 Tues.
28	Clear Water.	Clear Water.	" 27, '58	Chas. D. Whittemore.	Richmond Smith.	Arthur Robinson.	E. N. Hamilton.	1 and 3 Sat.
29	Morning Star.	La Crescent.	" 26, '59	J. W. Welch.	J. S. Selby.	L. F. Bock.	C. E. Boynton.	1 and 3 Sat.
30	Anoka.	Anoka.	" 26, '59	W. A. Field.	J. B. Berry.	Frank Gillis.	Frank Hart.	* 1 and 3 Sat.
31	King Hiram.	Jordan.	" 24, '60	Chas. E. Morrell.	M. S. Darlington.	Wm. Denning.	H. A. Engler.	2 and 4 Fri.
32	Sakatah.	Waterville.	" 24, '60	A. E. Hasler.	C. W. Christman.	O. M. Washburn.	Wm. J. Berner.	1 and 3 Sat.
33	Star in the East.	Waterville.	" 24, '60	M. J. Brown.	H. C. Howe.	E. A. How.	Harvey S. Darit.	2 and 4 Wed.
34	Oriental.	Canon Falls.	" 24, '60	Jas. A. Filson.	J. A. Nelson.	R. J. Doeblen.	Levi Manning.	1 and 3 Wed.
36	Preston.	Preston.	" 23, '61	Thos. I. Garratt.	Wm. R. Wells.	Geo. P. Moore.	Julius Johnson.	2 and 4 Wed.
37	Mystic Tie.	Pine Island.	" 23, '61	Thos. H. Bunn.	H. H. McCray.	F. V. Newhouse.	D. W. Davenport.	2 and 4 Wed.
38	Washington.	West Concord.	" 23, '61	J. T. McCarthy.	F. C. Cramer.	C. E. Wheeler.	Geo. N. Bird.	2 and 4 Sat.
39	Fidelity.	Austin.	" 23, '61	Peter Hanson.	R. D. Underwood.	I. T. Tollison.	Wallace Gregson.	1 and 3 Wed.
40	Carnelian.	Lake City.	" 28, '63	Albert Robertson.	Mark Powers.	Arthur Irvine.	L. S. Lutz.	2 and 4 Tues.
41	Herman.	Zumbrota.	" 28, '63	P. W. Mook.	W. J. Turnbull.	Jas. D. Grover.	J. H. Farwell.	1 and 3 Tues.
42	Hope.	Glencoe.	" 28, '63	H. L. Simons.	A. N. Johnson.	B. S. Nickerson.	C. V. Corson.	1 and 3 Sat.
43	Harmony.	Lewiston.	" 28, '63	O. W. Hunt.	W. J. Turnbull.	Geo. C. Rice.	Roy Baldwin.	1 and 3 Mon.
44	King Solomon.	Shakopee.	" 28, '63	H. O. Smith.	W. N. Southworth.	Geo. Thornquist.	C. C. Storer.	2 and 4 Sat.
45	Union.	Le Sueur.	" 26, '64	Geo. J. Diener.	A. E. Cadwell.	L. C. Cosgrove.	Geo. W. Taylor.	1 and 3 Tues.

46	Evergreen.	Clyde.	Oct.	26	64	J. E. Gerry.	I. E. Small.	Hans Selvir.	H. B. Clawson.	1 and 3 Sat.
47	Concord.	Cleveland.	"	26	64	Wm. W. Martiwerp.	Jack Clark.	I. C. Montgomery.	M. A. Hill.	1 and 3 Sat.
48	Social.	No. Chicago.	"	26	64	J. M. Walder.	J. S. Way, Jr.	D. M. Strang.	D. D. Turner.	1 and 3 Mon.
49	Rising Sun.	St. Charles.	"	26	65	J. M. W. Hart.	E. J. Miller.	F. F. Bateman.	Robt. A. Johnson.	1 and 3 Ths.
50	Watertown.	Watertown.	"	26	65	E. E. Shadr.	E. J. Punsford.	O. W. Mapes.	Robt. Wallace.	*
51	Acacia.	Cottage Grove.	"	26	65	Erving T. Morey.	E. J. Bloomer.	G. R. Tibbets.	Peter Thompson.	*
52	Cannon River.	St. Peters.	"	26	65	Geo. Malmberg.	L. B. Bloomer.	Chas. McKinzie.	H. H. Crandall.	*
53	Nicollet.	St. Marys.	"	26	65	Edw. H. Holberg.	J. C. Kachel.	M. F. Stone.	C. D. Moll.	1 and 3 Tues.
54	Zion.	Taylor Falls.	"	26	65	Edw. H. Folsom.	T. R. Woots.	M. A. Tugen.	W. X. Folsom.	2 and 4 Wed.
55	Meridian.	Charlie d.	"	26	67	W. H. Ball.	T. R. Woots.	R. H. Lord.	W. H. Silsbee.	1 and 3 Wed.
56	Blue Earth City.	Blue Earth.	"	26	67	E. C. Cummings.	W. N. Kendrick.	M. B. Pack.	Phil Ebsman.	1 and 3 Sat.
57	Spring Valley.	Spring Valley.	"	26	67	E. C. Cummings.	W. N. Kendrick.	Geo. McGilvary.	S. C. Patridge.	1 and 3 Tues.
58	Temple.	Hutchinson.	"	26	67	Jay H. Burns.	E. A. Richards.	A. F. Strebel.	Reuben Treney.	1 and 3 Tues.
59	Star in the West.	Sauk Centre.	"	26	67	O. H. S. Shuesener.	E. A. Richards.	C. W. Hughes.	Philomena Lamb.	2 and 4 Mon.
60	Ashler.	Eyota.	"	26	67	Geo. J. Wood.	W. E. Fredrick.	Wm. Frestidge.	J. A. McIntosh.	*
61	Star.	Rockford.	"	26	67	D. R. Thompson.	W. E. Fredrick.	K. A. Fench.	O. W. Crawford.	1 and 3 Tues.
62	Illustrious.	Fairmont.	"	26	67	E. E. Smith.	W. E. Fredrick.	Harry Birch.	L. T. Meachum.	1 and 3 Tues.
63	Chain Lake.	Madella.	"	26	67	J. E. Palmer.	B. A. Curtis.	Uman Batcheller.	L. M. Carrington.	1 and 3 Tues.
64	Corinthian.	Farmington.	"	26	67	H. W. Hosmer.	D. O. Smith.	C. S. Bradsher.	C. R. Whitner.	1 and 3 Tues.
65	Mystic Star.	Rushford.	"	26	67	John Thompson.	T. C. Johnston.	Jos. McKasson.	A. R. Peterson.	1 and 3 Tues.
66	Lansing.	Paynesville.	"	26	67	Harry Boylan.	A. C. Mallard.	C. C. Peterson.	Albert E. Bugbie.	2 and 4 Sat.
67	Eureka.	Lansing.	"	26	67	Chas. S. Harten.	F. A. Carll.	R. E. Beadell.	O. C. LeBar.	1 and 3 Sat.
68	Joppa.	Good Thunder.	"	26	67	W. B. Falanger.	E. H. Griffin.	H. S. Mahoney.	J. M. Wyckoff.	1 and 3 Tues.
69	Mystic Circle.	Waseca.	"	26	67	Casper A. Wood.	Geo. W. Harris.	W. S. Brown.	C. N. Sawright.	1 and 3 Tues.
70	Houston.	Houston.	"	26	67	E. O. Abrahamson.	J. W. Mills.	A. S. Omolt.	C. F. Nesbitt.	2 and 4 Ths.
71	Henderson.	Duluth.	"	26	67	A. L. Poehler.	Reinhart Schwartz.	S. E. Finch.	Henry Nesbitt.	1 and 3 Mon.
72	Alexandria.	Henderson.	"	26	67	J. J. Volker.	Samuel McClay.	E. E. Nesbitt.	A. C. Buck.	1 and 3 Sat.
73	Howard.	Kasson.	"	26	67	H. D. Garman.	Ted Dyer.	Christen Johnson.	J. A. Kinney.	2 and 4 Tues.
74	Money Creek.	Money Creek.	"	26	67	C. T. Goodrich.	F. W. Robinson.	F. W. Davis.	N. B. Reynolds.	2 and 4 Tues.
75	High Forest.	Money Creek.	"	26	67	F. E. Dean.	E. H. Englehart.	H. C. Perkins.	A. E. Anderson.	1 and 3 Mon.
76	Tyran.	Wells.	"	26	67	N. N. Nott.	F. W. Kingsley.	J. A. Klawisch.	E. G. Armstrong.	1 and 3 Sat.
77	Doric.	Litchfield.	"	26	67	Nels E. Anderson.	C. S. W. Swanson.	E. A. Burnester.	John E. Yotter.	1 and 3 Ths.
78	Golden Fleece.	Redwood Falls.	"	26	67	A. T. Fiddes.	A. B. Cheandle.	J. W. Nelson.	J. A. Klawisch.	2 and 4 Wed.
79	Antiquity.	Princeton.	"	26	67	C. V. Everett.	F. A. Japs.	C. M. Robertson.	A. C. Koerner.	1 and 3 Wed.
80	Fraternl.	Sauk Rapids.	"	26	67	Geo. E. Rine.	M. A. Belen.	N. F. Drripps.	W. J. Smithers.	2 and 4 Wed.
81	Unity.	Sleepy Eye.	"	26	67	Wm. L. Sartell.	M. L. Miller.	L. L. Herrick.	Ira G. Stanley.	1 and 3 Tues.
82	Keystone.	Elk River.	"	26	67	Jesse Palmer.	C. O. T. Davey.	W. E. Bingham.	J. P. Carpenter.	1 and 3 Tues.
83	Sherburne.	St. James.	"	26	67	Freeman Webb.	H. B. Nickerson.	E. F. Nickerson.	Geo. H. Tyler.	2 and 4 Tues.
84	Libanus.	Wincom.	"	26	67	Tracy Gillett.	J. B. Lewis.	C. A. Strande.	G. A. Hawkins.	2 and 4 Tues.
85	Prudence.	New Uln.	"	26	67	Geo. E. LeTorneau.	F. R. G. Weiser.	R. D. Collins.	J. J. Rupp.	2 and 4 Tues.
86	Charity.		"	26	67	Adolph G. Meile.	E. C. Milheis.	G. L. Schmidt.	G. Schmidt.	2 and 4 Tues.

APPENDIX D—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1909—Continued.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Charter.	Date of Location.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
99	Corner Stone....	Fergus Falls	Jan. 15, '73	L. LaRue.	L. A. Brandenberg.	N. J. Andrews.	R. E. Lincoln.	1 Tues.
100	Aurora.....	Brainerd	" 15, '73	Walter P. Pirie.	G. H. Warner.	M. H. Nelson.	E. J. Cook.	2 and 4 Tues.
101	Fraternity.....	Worthington.	" 15, '73	S. S. Smith.	James MacKay.	Walter Dunbar.	E. J. Kies.	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Lebanon.....	Lanesboro.	" 15, '73	P. C. Renning.	G. J. McMaster.	H. R. Wood.	G. E. Dolphin.	1 and 3 Mon.
103	Bethel.....	Lake Crystal.	" 15, '73	A. D. Neff.	M. L. Jones.	H. H. Edwards.	Robert P. Dodds.	1 and 3 Wed.
104	Maun.	Willmar.	" 15, '73	Harry P. Phillips.	Eilert Herberg.	B. J. Brunton.	H. C. Hansen.	2 and 4 Fri.
106	Mount Tabor.	Detroit	" 14, '74	A. S. Palmerlee.	G. J. Ellison.	F. J. Campbell.	E. D. Holmes.	2 and 4 Tues.
108	Relief.....	Dodge Center.	" 14, '74	H. W. Stebbins.	H. W. Seiler.	Dennis Lynch.	R. W. Gamsby.	1 and 3 Sat.
109	Sunset.....	Montevideo.	" 13, '75	F. R. Sinclair.	Geo. H. Schafer.	R. A. Brown.	E. B. Whitmore.	2 and last Fri.
110	Pickwick.....	Pickwick.	" 13, '75	Oswald C. Brunius.	C. A. Franzen.	Frank Stewart.	J. M. Rutherford.	1 and 3 Sat.
111	Carver.....	Carver.	" 13, '75	Gustave A. Petri.	H. T. Downs.	T. S. Ingersoll.	Julius C. Trieford.	2 and 4 Fri.
112	Khuron.....	Minneapolis.	" 13, '75	Hugh C. Arey.	H. A. Rea.	H. H. Mix.	D. W. Knowlton.	1 and 3 Mon.
113	Excelsior.....	Excelsior.	" 13, '75	Chas. J. Sherman.	S. C. Rea.	J. M. Rustad.	Jay E. Treat.	1 and 3 Mon.
114	Ben Franklin.	Lyerne.	" 13, '75	H. A. Stephan.	D. W. McDougall.	E. F. Weber.	Vincent Holton.	1 and 3 Fri.
115	Elgin.....	Brownshale.	" 12, '76	F. J. McGowan.	F. O. Tanner.	W. B. Sleeper.	J. N. Thatcher.	1 and 3 Tues.
116	Lafayette.	Granite Falls.	" 12, '76	J. J. Cressy.	C. L. Christianson.	R. S. Carpenter.	H. P. Bengston.	1 and 3 Sat.
117	Granite.....	Newport.	" 12, '76	J. M. Tickey.	J. W. Banler.	J. M. Norris.	H. A. Durand.	1 and 3 Tues.
118	Newport.....	Marshall.	" 12, '76	Jas. C. Birchard.	O. F. Woodard.	Emil Aker.	David M. King.	2 and 4 Wed.
119	Delta.....	Grand Meadow.	" 12, '76	M. O. Wilsie.	E. F. Greening.	S. Cole.	G. A. Wright.	2 and 4 Fri.
120	Grand Meadow.	Grand Meadow.	" 12, '76	C. F. Wolfe.	Geo. Montgomery.	J. Irish.	F. W. Heuer.	2 and 4 Sat.
121	Kellogg.....	Kellogg.	" 12, '76	E. Morton.	B. Melby.	A. E. Johnson.	Vincent Schisler.	2 and 4 Tues.
122	Prairie.....	Bloomer.	" 12, '76	M. J. Ryan.	H. I. Miner.	B. B. Dane.	L. D. Rogers.	2 and 4 Wed.
123	Leavesville.....	Janesville.	" 10, '77	Louis Schwappach.	G. M. Henry.	F. Bielerman.	Wm. Krueger.	2 and 4 Tues.
124	Winslow Lewis.	Osseo.	" 10, '77	Arthur H. Costain.	Wm. H. Merritt.	C. A. Ballard.	J. Pierce Wolfe.	1 and 3 Tues.
125	Moorhead.	Moorehead.	" 10, '77	J. F. Bomberger.	C. S. Ellis.	Wm. G. Schulz.	H. M. Quinn.	2 and 4 Tues.
126	Josephus.....	Mapleton.	" 10, '77	Eugene A. Smith.	Jos. Edminster.	K. K. Odden, Sr.	E. R. Aldrich.	2 and 4 Wed.
129	Swift.....	Belson.	" 16, '78	O. R. Vining.	J. E. Norris.	Ray Frazer.	A. O. Christenson.	2 and 4 Tues.
131	Una.....	Young America.	" 16, '78	H. S. Ogden.	A. H. Ackermann.	E. J. Eklund.	O. J. Truwe.	1 and 3 Sat.
132	Humboldt.....	Morris.	" 16, '78	Nels Olson.	J. C. Morrison.	H. C. Olson.	H. M. Hanson.	2 and 3 Tues.
133	Golden Sheaf.	Colfax.	" 15, '79	Menor Johnson.	Chas. Rickard.	Frank Griffith.	John A. Eklund.	2 and 3 Mon.
134	Nelson.....	Belflo.	" 15, '79	Adolph Brand.	Fred Green.	Wm. G. Shirer.	Sylvester R. Wells.	1 and 4 Tues.
135	Walnut Grove.	Appleton.	" 14, '80	W. J. McDonald.	M. A. Dahms.	H. O. Garlock.	D. O. Bolen.	2 and 4 Tues.
136	Appleton.	Appleton.	" 14, '80	C. A. Brown.	O. H. Grady.	O. A. Kingsbury.	E. V. Dickey.	2 and 4 Tues.
137	Orion.....	Verndale.	" 14, '80	M. Anderson.	John I. Larson.	Henry Feig.	Lewis Larson.	2 and 4 Tues.
138	Verndale.....	Verndale.	" 14, '80	F. A. Thompson.	Nels A. Lee.	C. A. Co.	L. D. Frazier.	1 and 3 Tues.
139	Little Falls.	Little Falls.	" 14, '80	Harry E. Meyers.	P. A. Christensen.	Harry Stilwell.	F. D. Woodworth.	2 and 4 Tues.
140	Crookston.	Crookston.	" 14, '80	Thomas Morris.	Chas. L. Bang.	B. D. Reck.	Oscar Fredricks.	2 and 4 Tues.

142	Currie.	12	'81	E. Berrean.	C. E. Jerome.	Wm. Fromm.	H. Butson.	1 and 3 Mon.
143	Lakeview.	12	'81	James Newton.	E. J. Engquist.	Robert Hunter.	Hayden French.	1 and 3 Fri.
144	Bird Island.	12	'81	J. H. Feeter.	L. E. Sherwood.	O. H. Kragstad.	Amund Dahl.	1 and 3 Sat.
145	Melrose.	12	'81	W. W. Matson.	G. G. Tirrell.	K. H. Hamlin.	H. C. Nielsen.	2 and 4 Tues.
146	Benton.	12	'81	Walter W. Bliven.	Chas. F. Lavesson.	Royal A. Turner.	C. W. Stites.	2 and 4 Fri.
147	Canby.	11	'82	H. D. Reed.	J. N. Johnson.	A. Onverson.	H. E. Spornitz.	1 and 3 Sat.
148	Quarry.	11	'82	Geo. D. Rice.	Albert Hickman.	Carl Oppen.	H. E. Argetzinger.	1 and 3 Mon.
149	Pipestone.	11	'82	C. T. Hall.	Henry Ewald.	Julius Heintz.	Isaac Cowie.	1 and 3 Wed.
150	Warren.	11	'82	C. E. Ouel.	C. A. Nelson.	O. H. Taralseth.	W. N. Fowell.	1 and 3 Wed.
151	Chaska.	11	'82	W. C. Ouel.	M. Melvin.	G. A. Gatz.	R. K. Klammer.	2 and 4 Wed.
152	Breckenridge.	10	'83	D. J. Jones.	P. E. Truax.	O. H. Taralseth.	E. W. Cole.	1 and 3 Tues.
153	Frontier.	10	'83	Theo. Harum.	F. D. Smith.	H. T. Zimmerman.	Silvanus Gordon.	1 and 3 Tues.
154	Kodahya.	10	'83	B. E. Dahlquist.	G. Kittelson.	J. H. Kirkpatrick.	C. O. Simenson.	2 and 4 Tues.
155	Norman.	10	'83	Arthur H. Rowland.	J. St. Edmund.	L. N. Lee.	C. W. Norris, Jr.	2 and 4 Tues.
156	Wadena.	10	'83	Julian A. Sedgwick.	E. T. Carroll.	R. R. Stedman.	Geo. M. Stowe.	1 and 3 Wed.
157	Perham.	16	'84	S. Friedman.	F. J. Brabee.	O. A. Zimmer.	L. E. Davison.	1 and 3 Fri.
158	Hector.	16	'84	A. B. Anderson.	G. W. Wisman.	F. W. Blummerick.	A. M. Erickson.	2 and 4 Mon.
159	Long Prairie.	14	'85	W. M. Barber.	John E. Withers.	Ray A. Lee.	W. H. Gray.	2 and 4 Fri.
160	Plymouth.	14	'85	F. M. Acker.	N. R. Cushing.	E. W. Diercks.	Geo. W. Hall.	1 and 3 Mon.
161	Sincerity.	14	'85	J. W. Carpenter.	A. C. Morse.	H. E. West.	D. W. Shear.	1 and 3 Tues.
162	Prescott.	14	'85	K. C. Ness.	P. S. Goodell.	E. W. Diercks.	John T. Lindem.	2 and 4 Fri.
163	Summit.	14	'85	Jos. H. Beek.	W. B. Geery.	A. O. Amundson.	Robt. B. Ware.	2 and 4 Tues.
164	Jasper.	13	'86	Andrew M. Matson.	Geo. W. Nessel.	Geo. G. Whitney.	James D. Markham.	2 and 4 Tues.
165	Minneapolis.	13	'86	H. Stanley Hanson.	C. J. Stockdale.	C. E. Shepard.	H. S. Goff.	2 and 4 Tues.
166	White Bear.	13	'86	T. L. Bourquin.	J. C. McCraight.	E. A. Baron.	T. W. Bacon.	2 and 4 Tues.
167	Campbell.	13	'86	Ben Baker.	G. W. Broadbent.	Clair Davidson.	Alex Davidson.	1 and 3 Wed.
168	St. Paul.	12	'87	John F. Pratt.	Albert Ihm.	L. A. Muesel.	Ben Holt.	1 and 3 Tues.
169	Barnesville.	12	'87	M. D. Hawver.	B. F. Bumgarden.	F. H. Alexander.	Emil King.	1 and 3 Tues.
170	Fulda.	12	'87	John Bachman.	R. D. Lindquist.	R. W. Butturf.	Chas. S. Schurman.	1 and 3 Mon.
171	Shekinah.	12	'88	Robert B. Burns.	R. D. Miller.	Hugh Munro.	C. J. Orton.	2 and 4 Tues.
172	Marietta.	12	'88	A. R. Silvernail.	J. M. Snyder.	C. E. Orton.	C. J. Adams.	2 and 4 Sat.
173	Phumb Lane.	12	'88	J. G. Reeves.	S. C. Walters.	C. E. Orton.	W. F. Daugherty.	1 and 3 Tues.
174	Valley.	12	'88	H. J. Wood.	Wm. Paine.	J. L. Linden.	Chas. Steffens.	1 and 3 Wed.
175	Glenwood.	12	'88	C. C. May.	C. W. Slade.	Edwin Brickson.	Chas. Steffens.	1 and 3 Wed.
176	Adrian.	12	'88	John C. Lauber.	Wm. W. Rowell.	E. L. Sly.	Eugene C. Noyes.	1 and 3 Mon.
177	Ark.	12	'88	Paul Buettow.	M. H. Doyle.	Louis H. Kahle.	Alfred E. Richardson.	2 and 4 Wed.
178	Minneapolis.	12	'88	J. H. Miller.	Wm. Sparrow.	C. Rosenmeter.	H. H. Clifford.	1 and 3 Tues.
179	Belle Plaine.	12	'88	W. H. Leak.	John Carlson.	A. K. Anderson.	W. A. Bruus.	1 and 3 Tues.
180	Royalton.	17	'89	S. M. Donaldson.	G. E. Lamphear.	Clyde W. Long.	J. M. Curtis.	2 and 4 Sat.
181	Osakis.	17	'89	Harry Kurz.	H. M. Dixon.	F. V. Inskeep.	J. M. Watkins.	1 and 3 Tues.
182	Cloquet.	16	'90	U. G. Wray.	J. A. Ferguson.	W. O. Sterling.	W. D. McDonald.	1 and 3 Sat.
183	Annapdale.	16	'90	Chas. N. Orr.	Chas. Douglas.	Harry L. Brink.	D. R. Bradford.	2 and 4 Tues.
184	Park Rapids.	16	'90	Chas. N. Orr.	Albert J. Wallace.	W. N. Tolman.	Ernest R. Burgo.	2 and 4 Fri.
185	St. Paul.	16	'90	C. S. Miller.	H. W. Richalson.	J. A. Corvell.	Hugh R. Burgo.	2 and 4 Mon.
186	Duluth.	16	'90	C. S. Miller.	C. W. Ringer.	Geo. Thompson.	John D. Tolman.	2 and 4 Mon.
187	Minneapolis.	16	'90	Wm. A. Gulick.	J. F. Hildebrand.	Geo. Thompson.	W. B. Woodward.	2 and 4 Wed.
188	Two Harbors.	16	'90	Matthew Coughlin.	J. F. Hildebrand.	Geo. Thompson.	W. B. Woodward.	2 and 4 Wed.

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APPENDIX D—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1909—Continued.

No.	Name of Lodge	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting
189	Traverse.	Wheaton.	Jan. 15 '91	Jared Burton.	A. H. Dierpenbrock.	George Harris.	G. H. Kristensen.	2 and 4 Tues.
190	Triune.	St. Paul.	" 15 '91	A. L. Ries.	H. L. Donnelly.	R. J. Ma vin.	Harry O. Williams.	1 and 3 Tues.
191	Umbagog.	South St. Paul.	" 15 '91	T. G. Micholmore.	Allen Fitch.	E. J. Van Slyke.	F. J. Babcock.	1 and 3 Tues.
192	Crow River.	Redgate.	" 15 '91	Samuel H. Stauffer.	A. Ridgway.	A. H. Briggs.	J. O. Ellingboe.	1 and 3 Sat.
193	Amboy.	Amboy.	" 15 '91	S. T. Larnas.	L. J. Moyer.	R. J. Whit.	J. E. Brown.	1 and 3 Tues.
194	Canon.	Canon.	" 15 '91	Wm. T. Johnson.	F. P. Hudson.	M. C. Willford.	Murray Fargo.	1 and 4 Tues.
195	Renville.	Medville.	" 15 '91	N. L. Johnson.	Geo. A. Lumley.	F. H. Heits.	L. E. Lambert.	1 and 3 Wed.
196	Genevieve.	Madison.	" 15 '91	J. H. Chalmers.	Q. W. Nelson.	P. A. Quist.	O. Elias Haug.	1 and 3 Tues.
197	Vermilion.	Tower.	" 15 '91	E. Mowatt.	O. W. Nelson.	J. E. Robertson.	K. J. Atkins.	1 Tues.
198	Ficld.	West Dunth.	" 15 '91	Marin J. Murray.	M. M. Mel Dahl.	J. T. Ho g.	Anders Dineavy.	2 and 4 Wed.
199	Murray.	Slayton.	" 15 '91	C. A. Nelson.	J. K. Bennett.	P. J. Nelson.	A. D. Smith.	2 and 4 Sat.
200	Zenith.	Springfield.	" 14 '92	N. E. Nelson.	J. S. Shaffer.	C. A. Nelson.	E. A. Merritt.	1 and 3 Sat.
201	Kenyon.	Kenyon.	" 14 '92	Edward Backe.	Alfred Mohr.	U. A. Wefzel.	A. P. Werk.	1 and 3 Tues.
202	Aelder.	Lawson.	" 14 '92	A. C. Ruud.	C. W. Paige.	T. Borgendale.	John W. Dale.	2 and 4 Tues.
203	Stewartville.	Stewartville.	" 14 '92	V. H. Bong.	L. A. Dunkel.	Tobias Williams.	C. W. Cattle.	2 and 4 Wed.
204	St. Elmo.	Wayzata.	" 14 '92	E. G. Braten.	L. A. Dunkel.	James Williams.	C. W. Vikerman.	2 and 4 Tues.
205	Wayzata.	Wayzata.	" 12 '93	Wm. G. Cameron.	E. P. Costain.	J. C. Camp.	Aug. Strand.	2 and 4 Tues.
206	Trasca.	Staples.	" 12 '93	Edw. A. Greiner.	M. A. Spang.	J. I. Cross.	Thos. C. Donald.	1 and 3 Fri.
207	Shibey.	Winthrop.	" 12 '93	G. Elmer Strout.	C. W. Chaud.	T. I. Shoof.	Geo. W. Meyers.	1 and 3 Fri.
208	Columbian.	Heron Lake.	" 11 '94	F. A. Cooley.	E. H. Dean.	J. C. Hanson.	Wm. J. Ke lam.	1 and 3 Wed.
209	Friendship.	Graceville.	" 11 '94	Chas. S. Pierce.	J. E. Radish.	J. J. Hussey.	William Co.	1 and 3 Wed.
210	Hallock.	Hallock.	" 17 '95	Elmer C. Yetter.	H. E. Alsard.	R. V. Bluthen.	C. Goodman.	1 and 3 Tues.
211	Albion.	Albion.	" 17 '95	Robert Donaldson.	A. E. Martin.	Alfred Paulson.	John H. MacDonald.	1 and 3 Tues.
212	Evansville.	Evansville.	" 16 '96	F. P. Ingos.	R. C. Forley.	Louis Brissall.	Victor C. Tiedt.	1 and 3 Tues.
213	Argyle.	Argyle.	" 16 '96	F. P. Ingos.	R. C. Forley.	Wm. S. Mitchell.	W. O. Dillingham.	1 and 3 Tues.
214	Florence.	Wood Lake.	" 16 '96	F. P. Ingos.	R. C. Forley.	Wm. S. Mitchell.	Charles Mitchell.	1 and 3 Tues.
215	Capital City.	St. Paul.	" 16 '96	F. P. Ingos.	R. C. Forley.	Wm. S. Mitchell.	Simon Oster.	1 and 3 Tues.
216	Graswood.	Hancock.	" 14 '97	F. M. Salstrom.	L. W. Benn.	R. G. Bate.	Henry Nystruen.	1 and 3 Mon.
217	Olivia.	Olivia.	" 14 '97	J. M. Salstrom.	F. C. Koely.	N. P. Peterson.	J. M. Peckinpah.	1 and 3 Sat.
218	Mc. Hermon.	Cottonwood.	" 13 '98	Benj. McPherson.	Wm. Warburton.	C. B. Fraser.	Wm. Sisson.	1 and 3 Wed.
219	Equity.	Mora.	" 13 '98	Irvin I. Jones.	W. S. Titus.	B. T. Swain.	Geo. H. Root.	1 and 3 Wed.
220	Elysian.	Minneapolis.	" 12 '99	W. S. Foster.	L. L. Fish.	A. O. Cosman.	Geo. H. Newbert.	2 and 4 Sat.
221	Minnesota.	Justice.	" 12 '99	W. S. Foster.	Frank Clague.	E. H. Emerson.	Victor H. Stough.	1 and 3 Tues.
222	Lincoln.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	C. H. Sperry.	Geo. R. Kluegel.	2 and 4 Tues.
223	Justice.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	W. E. Landerne.	F. B. Searle.	1 and 3 Fri.
224	Lincoln.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	W. E. Landerne.	F. B. Searle.	2 and 4 Mon.
225	Justice.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	W. E. Landerne.	F. B. Searle.	2 and 4 Mon.
226	Lincoln.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	W. E. Landerne.	F. B. Searle.	2 and 4 Mon.
227	Park Region.	Elbow Lake.	" 12 '99	F. G. Stahl.	J. H. McGilvra.	W. E. Landerne.	F. B. Searle.	2 and 4 Mon.

228	Vernon Center...	Jan. 18, '00	G. C. Cornish...	A. W. Morris...	R. B. Hays...	A. C. Gray...	1 and 3 Sat.
229	Stewart...	" 18, '00	John W. Johnson...	Henry Harsden...	Wm. F. Avery...	O. O. Holm...	2 and 4 Tues.
230	Alpha...	" 18, '00	Wm. Masters...	C. E. Sandin...	Wm. R. Foster...	W. J. Grady...	1 and 3 Tues.
231	Chicago...	" 18, '00	O. Stenberg...	Theo. Martin...	P. O. Peterson...	C. F. Mickelson...	1 and 3 Mon.
232	Bemidji...	" 24, '01	Alex. Kelly...	R. F. Pepple...	Herbert Doran...	J. P. Holmberg...	1 and 3 Wed.
233	Sandstone...	" 24, '01	Arnold Pilling...	H. P. Deagle...	C. Kellogg...	G. A. Walker...	1 and 3 Fri.
234	Edgerton...	" 24, '01	W. B. Fuller...	C. R. Mescham...	J. G. McGlashen...	Mark E. Robey...	1 and 3 Fri.
235	Thief Riv. Falls...	" 24, '01	B. B. Cooper...	W. A. Wymann...	H. N. Peterson...	Hermanus DeBoer...	1 and 4 Mon.
236	Northern...	" 23, '02	E. W. Gislason...	C. B. Waddell...	J. E. Simons...	H. N. Peterson...	1 and 4 Mon.
237	Albert Pike...	" 23, '02	B. H. Plummer...	H. G. Johnson...	E. T. Sanderson...	Frank K. Wade...	1 and 4 Wed.
238	Equality...	" 23, '02	Ovettie L. Day...	D. A. Springer...	W. J. Davey...	G. A. Dalmann...	1 and 4 Wed.
239	Eveleth...	" 23, '02	J. F. Carlson...	John Blacketter...	J. R. Lenox...	M. W. Burt Jr...	2 and 4 Sat.
240	Astra...	" 23, '02	E. E. Lundrigan...	F. C. Clayton...	J. R. Lenox...	Moody Holcomb...	2 and 4 Sat.
241	Fraser...	" 23, '02	E. L. Hall...	P. M. Larson...	J. E. Bigham...	B. Y. McNairy...	2 and 4 Tues.
242	Ruthton...	" 23, '02	D. E. Billington...	M. F. Cadwell...	E. D. Boyce...	C. A. Graham...	1 and 3 Tues.
243	Cass Lake...	" 23, '02	C. C. Stevens...	H. L. Gosslee...	R. E. McKee...	E. C. Jones Jr...	1 and 3 Tues.
244	Corbeau...	" 23, '02	C. C. Svenson...	G. P. Skartum...	L. A. Berk...	C. A. Jones Jr...	1 and 3 Tues.
245	Wabasso...	Feb. 25, '03	Frank E. Smith...	Cordius Essen...	Carl J. Johnson...	H. W. Schaeffer...	1 and 3 Fri.
246	Fides...	" 25, '03	Phillip Melcher...	G. W. Brown...	John R. Orth...	A. F. Grohne...	1 and 3 Fri.
247	Mortality...	" 25, '03	G. R. Van Dike...	J. A. Mansfield...	D. McCortuadale...	Thos. Dixon...	1 and 3 Tues.
248	Raymond...	" 25, '03	T. T. Grondlund...	B. C. Knuisen...	G. H. Wood...	C. L. Hardy...	2 and 4 Sat.
249	Barro...	" 25, '03	R. H. C. Hinman...	G. J. Simon...	E. N. Swan...	H. M. Clark...	1 and 3 Tues.
250	Lakefield...	" 25, '03	W. E. Daily...	E. W. Dorr...	M. A. Olson...	P. D. Christensen...	1 and 3 Tues.
251	McKinley...	" 25, '03	John Nelson...	Emanuel Berg...	T. L. Waffe...	F. W. Orth...	1 and 4 Fri.
252	Morton...	" 25, '03	Grier H. Thompson...	C. F. Carey...	Wm. J. Norby...	I. H. Vandenoever...	1 and 3 Tues.
253	Dexter...	" 25, '03	Herbert Gleisyer...	T. B. C. Evans...	J. A. Redfern...	O. A. Erickson...	1 and 3 Tues.
254	Lake Park...	" 25, '03	Carl M. Hoppe...	R. A. Vesburgh...	O. B. Smith...	R. D. Bosworth...	2 and 4 Wed.
255	Mesaba...	Jan. 21, '04	G. A. Colberg...	Wm. Norton...	C. B. Boody...	Fred Herring...	1 and 3 Tues.
256	Rawley...	" 21, '04	C. C. Hunter...	H. T. Hanson...	F. G. Poole...	J. W. Herrick...	1 and 3 Wed.
257	Fellowship...	" 21, '04	J. N. Bauman...	C. E. Steffenson...	Walter Lang...	Henry H. Blinn...	1 and 3 Mon.
258	Montgomery...	" 19, '05	A. M. Wallace...	H. T. Hanson...	C. Adams...	M. A. Olson...	1 and 3 Tues.
259	Berry...	" 19, '05	Wm. Scott...	A. S. Peters...	G. A. Ricks...	A. E. Wilcox...	1 and 3 Tues.
260	Truth...	" 18, '06	C. H. Greene...	E. J. Stock...	R. N. Harmsen...	C. W. Hermann...	1 and 3 Tues.
261	Fairfax...	" 18, '06	John H. Crowe...	E. G. Bush...	Wm. Gray...	Martin Forrest...	1 and 3 Fri.
262	Lake Wilson...	" 18, '06	Geo. F. Swift...	V. D. Crandall...	Wm. R. Wasson...	H. G. Best...	1 and 3 Fri.
263	Tusler...	" 18, '06	O. P. Smith...	W. E. Mead...	Geo. O. Johnson...	E. T. Pearson...	2 and 4 Mon.
264	Virginia...	" 18, '06	John A. Larson...	C. A. Moody...	P. G. Hubert...	B. T. Amisun...	2 and 4 Mon.
265	Compass...	" 18, '06	Geo. M. Stebbins...	L. W. Thompson...	T. H. Foss...	F. A. Blodgett...	1 Wed. 4 Mon.
266	Onyx...	" 23, '07	Joel E. Roman...	Wm. H. Berman...	A. H. Dutton...	Fred Thompson...	2 and 4 Tues.
267	Warroad...	" 23, '07	J. E. Burdick...	G. A. Snyder...	H. A. McCormack...	P. H. McCormick...	2 and 4 Tues.
268	Roseau...	" 21, '08	J. A. Sandye...	Aug. Johnson...	D. D. Greer...	H. J. Miner...	1 and 3 Mon.
269	Eagle Bend...	" 21, '08	C. R. Middleton...	Albert Berg...	J. E. Huss...	Alex. King...	1 and 3 Tues.
270	Int'l Falls...	" 21, '08				Clare H. Dadds...	1 and 3 Fri.
271	Koochiching...	" 21, '08					
272	Carstee...	" 21, '08					
273	Oshts...	" 21, '08					

*Saturday on or before full moon, †Wednesday on or before full moon.
 ¶ 2 and 4 Mon. Oct. to March, 2 Mon. April to Sept.
 moon full.

§Saturday on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

||Monday of week

APPENDIX D—LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

No.	Lodge	Town	County	Date of Charter	Cause of Being Stricken from Roll.	
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Feb. 24, 1853	Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900.	
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Jan. 10, 1856	Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place.	
6	Shakopee.....	Shakopee.....	Scott.....	Jan. 2, 1855	Charter arrested in October, 1859, and surrendered in 1860.	
9	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Rice.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1863, restored in October, 1864; surrendered June 1, 1865, and restored to second Faribault, No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.	
10	Pacific.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1861.	
13	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	Sibley.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.	
15	St. Cloud.....	St. Cloud.....	Stearns.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered in 1906.	
17	Hokah.....	Hokah.....	Houston.....	Jan. 8, 1857	Charter surrendered in 1906.	
25	Meridian.....	Chatfield.....	Fillmore.....	Oct. 27, 1858	Charter surrendered in 1860.	
35	Mount Moriah.....	Hastings.....	Dakota.....	Oct. 24, 1860	Consolidated with Dakota, No. 7, Dec. 27, 1905.	
53	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Rice.....	Oct. 25, 1865	Changed to No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by Grand Lodge; charter surrendered and exchanged for original charter of No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.	
65	Golden Rule.....	Lakeland.....	Washington.....	Oct. 23, 1867	Charter surrendered Feb. 14, 1905.	
68	Northern Light.....	Fort Garry.....	Manitoba.....	Oct. 23, 1867	U. D. at Pembina and Fort Garry from September, 1863; charter never delivered.	
70	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	Meeker.....	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered May 12, 1905.	
73	Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	Houston.....	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered by fire in 1881, and not reissued.	
74	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	Wabasha.....	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter destroyed June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers.	
88	Yellowstone.....	Fort Buford.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 10, 1872	Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of Dakota in January, 1880.	
105	Shiloh.....	Fargo.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 14, 1874	Charter surrendered in November, 1880.	
107	Adrian.....	Dover.....	Olmstead.....	Jan. 11, 1876	Charter transferred allegiance to Grand Lodge of Dakota in December, 1880.	
120	Bismarck.....	Bismarck.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 11, 1876	Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored.	
127	Centennial.....	Delano.....	Wright.....	Jan. 10, 1877	Consolidated with Red Wing, No. 8, April 21, 1897.	
130	Arcturus.....	Red Wing.....	Goodhue.....	Jan. 16, 1878	Charter forfeited Jan. 16, 1896, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1896.	
183	Pelican Rapids.....	Pelican Rapids.....	Otter Tail.....	Jan. 16, 1890		
206	Fosston.....	Fosston.....	Polk.....	Jan. 12, 1893	Charter surrendered Dec. 28, 1906.	

APPENDIX E.

GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES, FEBRUARY, 1909

GRAND LODGE (English Speaking)	NAME OF GRAND MASTER	ADDRESS	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY	ADDRESS
Alabama.....	Hugh S. D. Mallory..	Selma.....	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Alberta.....	G. H. Hogbin.....	Calgary.....	Dr. G. Macdonald..	Calgary
Arizona.....	Fletcher M. Doan..	Tombstone.....	G. J. Roskrige.....	Tucson
Arkansas.....	Edgar A. McCulloch..	Little Rock.....	Fay Hempstead.....	Little Rock
Brit. Columbia.....	Wm. K. Houston.....	Victoria.....	R. E. Brett.....	Victoria
California.....	Oscar Lawler.....	Los Angeles.....	John Whicher.....	San Francisco
Canada.....	Augustus T. Freed..	Hamilton.....	R. L. Gunn.....	Hamilton, Ont.
Colorado.....	John B. Haffy.....	Del Norte.....	Chas. H. Jacobson..	Denver
Connecticut.....	W. G. Granniss.....	Litchfield.....	Frank W. Havens..	Hartford
Delaware.....	Henry I. Beers.....	Dover.....	Virginius V. Harrison	Wilmington
Dist. of Col.....	Henry K. Simpson..	Washington.....	A. W. Johnston.....	Washington
England.....	Duke of Connaught..	London.....	Edward Letchworth	London
Florida.....	Elmer E. Haskell.....	Pa'tka.....	W. P. Webster.....	Jacksonville
Georgia.....	Thos. H. Jeffries..	Atlanta.....	W. A. Wollhin.....	Macon
Idaho.....	William R. Hamilton..	.....	T. W. Randall.....	Boise
Illinois.....	Alexander H. Bell..	Carlinville.....	Isaac Cutter.....	Camp Point
Indiana.....	Charles N. Mikels..	New Castle.....	C. W. Prather.....	Indianapolis
Indiana Ter.....	Henry L. Muldrow..	Tisomingo.....	J. S. Murrow.....	Atoka
Iowa.....	P. J. Martin.....	Waterloo.....	Newton R. Parvin..	Cedar Rapids
Ireland.....	Duke of Abercorn..	Dublin.....	H. E. Flavell, dep..	Dublin
Kansas.....	Henry F. Mason.....	Garden City.....	A. K. Wilson.....	Topeka
Kentucky.....	Henry P. Barrett..	Henderson.....	H. B. Grant.....	Louisville
Louisiana.....	L. E. Thomas.....	Shreveport.....	Richard Lambert..	New Orleans
Maine.....	Edmund B. Mallet..	Freeport.....	Stephen Berry.....	Portland
Manitoba.....	Henry J. Pugh.....	Viriden.....	James A. Ovas.....	Winnipeg
Maryland.....	Thos. J. Shryock..	Baltimore.....	Wm. M. Isaac.....	Baltimore
Massachusetts.....	Dana J. Flanders..	Malden.....	Thomas W. Davis..	Belmont
Michigan.....	Herbert Montague..	Traverse City.....	Lou B. Windsor.....	Reed City
Minnesota.....	Eugene E. Swan.....	Stewart.....	John Fishel.....	St. Paul
Mississippi.....	W. H. Clifton.....	Aberdeen.....	Frederic Speed.....	Vicksburg
Missouri.....	R. R. Kreeger.....	Kansas City.....	John R. Parson.....	St. Louis
Montana.....	C. B. Nolan.....	Helena.....	Cornelius Hedges Jr.	Helena
Nebraska.....	Wm. A. De Bord.....	Omaha.....	F. E. White.....	Omaha
Nevada.....	Chas. L. Fulstone..	Carson City.....	C. N. Noteware.....	Carson City
New Brunswick.....	John S. D. Chipman..	St. Stephen.....	J. T. Hartt.....	St. John
N. Hampshire.....	F. W. Sawyer.....	Milford.....	F. D. Woodbury..	Concord
New Jersey.....	Wm. D. Wolfskeil..	Elizabeth.....	Benj. F. Wakefield..	Trenton
New Mexico.....	Chester D. Stevens..	Raton.....	A. A. Keen.....	Albuquerque
New S. Wales.....	H. H. Rawson (Gov.)..	Sydney.....	A. H. Bray.....	Sydney
New York.....	S. Nelson Sawyer..	.....	E. M. L. Ehlers.....	New York
New Zealand.....	Lord Plunkett (Gov.)	Christchurch.....	Malcolm Niccol.....	Christchurch
N. Carolina.....	Samuel M. Gattis..	Hi Isboro.....	J. C. Drewry.....	Raleigh
N. Dakota.....	Sylvester J. Hill.....	Fargo.....	F. J. Thompson.....	Fargo
Nova Scotia.....	Chas. R. Smith.....	Amherst.....	Thos. Mowbray.....	Halifax
Ohio.....	C. S. Hoskinson.....	Zanesville.....	J. H. Bromwell.....	Cincinnati
Oklahoma.....	D. D. Hoag.....	Anadarko.....	W. M. Anderson.....	Waurika
Oregon.....	Ed. E. Kiddle.....	La Grande.....	J. F. Robinson.....	Portland
Pennsylvania.....	Geo. B. Olady.....	Philadelphia.....	W. A. Sinn.....	Philadelphia
P. E. Island.....	D. F. Macdonald.....	Montague.....	N. MacKelvie.....	Summerside
Quebec.....	Geo. O. Stanton.....	Montreal.....	Will H. Whyte.....	Montreal
Queensland.....	Lord Chelmsford (Gov.)	Brisbane.....	Chas. H. Harley.....	Brisbane
Rhode Island.....	Wm. L. Chatterton..	Pawtucket.....	S. P. Williams.....	Providence
Saskatchewan.....	C. O. Davidson.....	Prince Albert.....	J. M. Shaw.....	Regina
Scotland.....	Chas. M. Ramsey.....	Edinburgh.....	David Reid.....	Edinburgh
S. Australia.....	Samuel J. Way.....	Adelaide.....	J. H. Cunningham..	Adelaide
S. Carolina.....	James L. Mitche.....	Darlington.....	Jacob T. Barron.....	Columbia
S. Dakota.....	Joseph J. Davenport..	Stu gis.....	G. A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls
Tasmania.....	C. E. Davies.....	Hobart.....	John Hamilton.....	Hobart
Tennessee.....	Milton H. Price.....	Memphis.....	J. B. Garrett.....	Nashville
Texas.....	J. J. Davis.....	Galveston.....	John Watson.....	Waco
Utah.....	James H. Brown.....	Salt Lake City.....	Christopher Diehl..	Salt Lake City
Vermont.....	Lee S. Tillotson.....	St. Albans.....	Henry H. Ross.....	Burlington
Virginia.....	W. Balls-Headley.....	Melbourne.....	David Meadowcroft	Melbourne
Virginia.....	J. W. Eggleston.....	Richmond.....	G. W. Carrington..	Richmond
Washington.....	Royal A. Goove.....	Tacoma.....	Horace W. Tyler.....	Tacoma
W. Australia.....	C. O. L. Riley.....	Perth.....	J. D. Stevenson.....	Perth
W. Virginia.....	Emmet M. Showalter..	Fairmont.....	Hiram R. Howard..	Point Pleasant
Wisconsin.....	James E. Durgin.....	Racine.....	W. W. Perry.....	Milwaukee
Wyoming.....	M. P. Wheeler.....	Casper.....	W. L. Kuykendall...	Saratoga

APPENDIX F--ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1908.

NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPELLED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1909	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABIL- ITIES
																	For 1908	Paid Grand Secretary			
1	St. Johns	Stillwater	182	8	11	12	5	5	17	2	6	..	..	4	12	187	\$ 99.00	\$ 99.00	\$ 440.00	\$ 2,950.00	\$120.00
2	Catact	Minneapolis	467	49	44	29	20	4	37	6	..	..	..	12	18	610	353.60	353.60	109.00	28,906.72	..
3	St. Paul	St. Paul	405	37	29	4	4	4	61	6	..	..	..	3	19	433	245.80	245.80	500.00	4,130.56	..
4	Hennepin	Minneapolis	370	23	20	20	3	2	25	3	5	..	..	5	12	383	206.20	206.20	321.00	9,920.77	489.43
5	Ancient Landmark	St. Paul	531	34	37	29	7	1	37	3	6	..	..	14	23	545	303.60	303.60	1,190.00	13,770.94	..
6	Dakota	Hennepin	179	8	5	4	1	5	5	3	..	..	..	2	5	179	86.60	86.60	200.00	3,744.00	..
7	Red Wing	Red Wing	149	6	1	1	2	1	4	3	1	..	..	3	7	146	65.20	65.20	220.00	12,784.00	5,825.00
8	Faribault	Faribault	177	3	4	3	3	..	6	4	2	..	..	3	9	174	77.20	77.20	70.00	6,025.03	25.00
9	Manitowish	Manitowish	63	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	57	22.80	22.80	64.00	12,324.63	3,747.91
10	Manitowish	Manitowish	179	9	8	8	3	..	11	4	..	..	..	..	4	186	95.00	95.00	124.75	2,634.49	..
11	Wapasha	Wapasha	65	12	9	5	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	2	71	54.20	54.20	135.50	6,591.25	..
12	Monticello	Monticello	74	3	4	4	2	2	6	4	..	..	..	..	7	73	37.80	37.80	110.00	13,000.00	..
13	Winona	Winona	369	13	13	14	6	2	22	3	3	..	..	3	11	380	184.00	184.00	450.00	20,814.11	..
14	Minneapolis	Minneapolis	1,137	57	55	52	40	4	96	20	42	..	..	22	84	1,149	585.20	584.00	670.25	2,700.00	..
15	Caledonia	Caledonia	66	11	13	11	2	13	15	4	..	..	..	3	6	73	59.00	59.00	180.00	2,197.95	..
16	Rochester	Rochester	176	9	10	11	3	1	15	4	3	..	..	2	6	185	98.40	98.40	87.00	857.15	..
17	Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove	57	1	1	1	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	5	5	52	22.80	22.80	38.00	2,700.00	..
18	North Star	St. Cloud	162	9	6	7	1	1	8	2	..	..	..	1	3	167	86.00	85.60	540.00	237.69	..
19	Wilmette	Alma City	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	33	13.20	13.20	46.00	..	..
20	Western Star	Albert Lea	224	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	224	..	..	..	..	..
21	Blue Earth Valley	Albany	81	6	7	8	1	1	10	2	..	..	..	2	4	87	52.20	52.20	75.00	695.00	22.00
22	Clear Water	Clear Water	51	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	2	2	51	24.60	24.60	64.05	5,760.00	..
23	Morning Star	La Crescent	56	1	1	1	2	4	2	5	..	..	..	2	2	57	24.60	25.80	100.00	1,692.24	..
24	Anoka	Anoka	139	1	1	2	2	2	8	5	..	..	..	1	12	135	56.60	56.60	106.50	828.08	..
25	King Hi Ram	Jordan	49	5	3	3	2	1	5	1	..	..	..	7	11	53	30.20	30.20	131.00	1,002.40	..
26	Sakatah	Waterville	32	2	2	3	1	1	4	5	..	..	..	5	11	48	24.40	24.40	40.00	2,724.32	2,000.00
27	Star in the East	Waterville	136	2	2	2	3	1	7	1	..	..	..	5	11	129	58.00	58.00	141.00	1,391.96	..
28	Orencia	Cannon Falls	82	5	5	5	..	..	8	1	..	..	..	1	8	85	53.00	54.00	179.25	2,917.16	..
29	Preston	Preston	86	5	5	5	..	..	8	1	..	..	..	1	8	88	47.00	47.00	122.50	3,440.00	..
30	Mystic Tie	Preston	38	4	4	4	2	2	5	4	2	..	..	1	2	44	26.80	26.80	70.00	571.78	84.50
31	Mystic Tie	Pine Island	56	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	2	54	24.40	24.40	100.00	2,380.00	..
32	Fidelity	West Concord	232	6	6	6	..	..	14	7	..	..	..	1	12	228	107.00	107.00	425.25	4,125.00	..
33	Carlman	Lake City	116	14	11	11	3	..	14	1	..	..	..	5	2	128	81.60	81.60	62.25	2,255.14	..

41	Hermion.....	68	9	9	10	2	12	2	1	2	78	54.40	54.40	68.00	716.18
42	Hope.....	84	1	2	2	2	12	2	1	2	84	33.80	33.80	399.00	5,283.41
43	Harmony.....	82	6	6	8	2	8	1	1	3	84	31.00	31.00	39.67	663.99
44	King Solomon.....	90	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	92	37.00	37.00	100.00	200.00
45	Union.....	96	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	92	21.80	21.80	132.00	1,878.91
46	Evergreen.....	41	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	42	22.00	22.00	52.00	1,350.00
47	Cleveland.....	30	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	31	16.60	17.40	50.00	300.00
48	Social.....	143	6	6	6	2	3	11	3	6	143	70.80	70.80	308.00	2,052.86
49	Northfield.....	115	2	2	1	1	3	8	2	2	113	49.80	49.80	37.50	2,539.32
50	Watertown.....	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	32	12.80	12.80	496.48	2,000.00
51	Acacia.....	39	4	7	7	1	8	1	3	2	38	15.20	15.20	30.00	2,350.00
52	Cannon River.....	37	6	6	3	5	8	1	3	4	45	32.80	32.80	30.00	2,350.00
53	Nicollet.....	124	6	6	3	5	8	1	3	4	128	63.00	63.00	148.00	513.09
54	Taylor's Falls.....	41	2	2	1	2	4	4	3	7	40	16.00	16.00	130.00	437.92
55	Meridian.....	156	2	2	1	2	1	4	3	7	153	65.00	65.00	123.00	5,033.00
56	Blue Earth City.....	117	3	3	3	1	4	4	3	4	117	54.20	54.20	100.00	4,600.00
57	Spring Valley.....	108	12	12	12	1	14	1	4	5	117	77.20	77.20	50.00	1,150.00
58	Temple.....	120	8	9	9	1	10	2	1	3	127	72.80	72.80	215.60	1,256.72
59	Star in the West.....	98	2	2	2	1	3	5	2	8	94	42.40	42.40	70.00	1,880.00
60	Star in the West.....	61	7	7	7	1	7	1	2	3	73	47.40	47.40	100.00	1,560.00
61	Ashlar.....	68	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	77	26.40	26.40	121.00	2,116.51
62	Rockford.....	59	7	7	1	1	3	2	2	4	175	80.60	80.60	258.00	2,885.50
63	Illustrious.....	78	2	3	2	1	3	2	2	4	47	32.80	32.80	171.00	508.78
64	Chain Lake.....	186	4	5	4	2	6	3	11	1	45	39.20	39.20	177.00	916.90
65	Madeline.....	43	8	4	4	1	5	2	1	3	45	32.80	31.80	110.00	267.10
66	Corinthian.....	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	5	65	43.20	43.20	140.00	700.00
67	Mystic Star.....	79	2	1	1	1	1	1	7	2	30	12.00	12.00	80.00	1,320.00
68	Paynesville.....	63	6	8	6	1	7	2	2	5	75	32.00	32.00	290.00	2,310.61
69	Lansing.....	31	1	2	2	2	2	4	1	1	32	35.40	35.40	80.00	1,320.00
70	Eureka.....	86	1	2	2	2	2	4	2	5	32	18.00	18.00	50.00	250.00
71	Jopra.....	80	2	2	4	2	6	3	3	3	33	41.80	41.80	690.00	200.00
72	Tuscan.....	80	3	4	4	2	6	3	3	3	33	41.80	41.80	690.00	200.00
73	Mystic Circle.....	54	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	55	71.50	71.50	82.00	1,317.34
74	Patience.....	610	84	32	42	13	46	2	7	9	647	338.40	338.40	1,317.34	17,701.34
75	Dunith.....	80	10	10	10	2	12	1	3	4	86	59.60	59.60	197.00	1,502.21
76	Henderson.....	78	10	10	10	2	12	1	3	4	86	61.20	61.20	90.75	2,551.40
77	Constellation.....	82	6	6	6	1	7	3	2	1	70	48.20	47.80	74.00	774.47
78	Howard Lake.....	82	6	6	6	1	7	3	2	1	70	48.20	47.80	74.00	774.47
79	Kasson.....	82	6	6	6	1	7	3	2	1	70	48.20	47.80	74.00	774.47
80	Money Creek.....	22	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	42	27.80	27.80	48.00	1,381.38
81	High Forest.....	39	5	4	4	1	5	2	2	4	42	40.20	40.20	186.00	1,823.66
82	Mazeppa.....	39	5	4	4	1	5	2	2	4	42	40.20	40.20	186.00	1,823.66
83	Tyrian.....	39	5	4	4	1	5	2	2	4	42	40.20	40.20	186.00	1,823.66
84	Donc.....	62	7	5	2	3	3	3	1	6	59	22.40	22.40	27.00	795.39
85	Golden Fleece.....	128	7	5	2	3	3	3	1	6	59	22.40	22.40	27.00	795.39
86	Litchfield.....	128	7	5	2	3	3	3	1	6	59	22.40	22.40	27.00	795.39
87	Good Faith.....	95	1	2	2	1	3	5	3	8	121	60.80	63.50	181.50	1,852.14
88	Antiquity.....	90	2	2	1	2	3	5	3	8	121	60.80	63.50	181.50	1,852.14
89	Good Faith.....	108	1	2	2	1	3	5	3	8	121	60.80	63.50	181.50	1,852.14
90	Antiquity.....	90	2	2	1	2	3	5	3	8	121	60.80	63.50	181.50	1,852.14
91	Fraternel.....	67	4	4	4	2	10	1	2	2	75	41.00	41.00	112.00	2,784.83
92	Fraternel.....	67	4	4	4	2	10	1	2	2	75	41.00	41.00	112.00	2,784.83
93	Sauk Rapids.....	55	5	4	6	6	6	1	1	2	59	38.20	39.20	73.50	300.00

APPENDIX F—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1908—Continued.

NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPULSED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1909	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABILI- TIES
																	For 1908	Paid Grand Secretary			
94	Keystone.	Sleepy Eye.	68	4	2	2	1	2	5	5					3	70	\$ 34.40	\$ 34.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,600.00	.....
95	Lieburne.	Elk River.	77	14	13	11	3	1	15	15				1	3	77	39.00	39.00	80.00	.....	.....
96	Libanus.	St. James.	72	7	3	7	1	1	10	10					3	93	66.80	66.80	167.40	1,082.97	.....
97	Prudence.	W. Adams.	86	6	4	4	2	2	7	7				1	6	97	54.20	54.20	159.80	12,135.93	7,000.00
98	Charity.	New Ulm.	89	8	7	5	1	4	10	10					6	91	48.60	48.60	86.00	5,917.59	300.00
99	Cornet Stone.	Fergus Falls.	145	10	9	10	1	1	5	5				2	7	143	59.20	59.20	450.00	1,300.00	.....
100	Aurora.	Brainerd.	220	17	19	19	1	1	22	22				1	6	235	140.20	140.20	200.00	2,650.00	.....
101	Fraternity.	Washington.	80	17	7	7	1	1	13	13				1	6	87	53.60	51.60	175.00	1,251.35	.....
102	Lebanon.	Lake Crystal.	32	5	5	5	1	1	8	8					3	34	26.60	26.60	275.00	213.50	.....
103	Pettibell.	Willmar.	85	15	7	7	1	1	10	10					3	92	55.00	55.00	108.00	1,257.81	.....
104	Sharon.	Detroit.	72	11	4	6	3	1	8	8				1	12	75	77.20	76.40	359.25	2,170.94	.....
105	Mt. Tabor.	De Pere Center.	144	11	8	8	1	1	10	10				1	3	142	32.60	33.60	90.00	2,480.35	792.00
106	Relief.	Montevideo.	163	13	8	8	1	1	5	5				3	3	131	76.20	76.20	284.50	4,298.89	.....
107	Sunset.	Pickwick.	128	12	1	1	1	1	6	6					3	51	23.80	24.20	50.00	300.00	.....
108	Pickwick.	Carver.	49	1	1	1	1	1	2	2					3	26	13.60	13.60	75.00	2,893.32	13.60
109	Carver.	Minneapolis.	489	46	87	87	11	1	46	46				7	14	521	307.40	307.40	396.20	16,893.94	.....
110	Excelsior.	Excelsior.	82	1	1	1	1	1	5	5					2	83	37.80	35.40	194.00	1,300.00	.....
111	Elgin.	Duane.	57	5	5	5	1	1	5	5					2	74	44.60	44.60	202.75	1,645.01	.....
112	Ben Franklin.	Brown.	61	1	1	1	1	1	2	2					3	60	37.00	37.00	100.00	759.69	100.00
113	Granite.	Brownsdale.	65	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				1	4	58	22.80	23.20	39.00	3,015.00	725.00
114	Granite.	Granite Falls.	45	1	1	1	1	1	6	6					1	67	29.00	29.80	130.00	276.00	.....
115	Newport.	Newport.	142	6	5	5	1	1	6	6				1	9	136	33.60	33.60	465.00	785.44	65.10
116	Delta.	Marshall.	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					2	37	58.20	58.20	26.66	750.00	334.49
117	Grand Meadow.	Grand Meadow.	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					2	31	24.80	24.80	395.79	1,452.82	50.00
118	Kellogg.	Bloomington.	62	3	3	3	1	1	3	3				1	3	58	30.00	30.00	100.00	670.00	.....
119	Prairie.	Janesville.	71	11	10	10	1	1	12	12					2	81	58.60	58.60	146.00	458.20	133.60
120	Wanslow Lewis.	Osseo.	44	2	2	2	1	1	3	3				3	3	41	16.40	16.40	90.00	3,615.00	60.00
121	Moorhead.	Moorhead.	85	3	2	2	1	1	3	3				1	10	78	42.40	44.60	290.00	4,354.00	750.00
122	Josephus.	Mapleton.	71	3	1	1	1	1	3	3					3	71	31.20	31.60	219.00	4,319.40	1,690.00
123	Swift.	Benson.	63	1	1	1	1	1	3	3					3	59	32.40	32.40	101.00	693.53	770.46
124	Alma.	Lyle.	46	3	3	3	1	1	6	6				1	11	41	30.00	29.00	27.64	686.91	

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NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPELLED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1909	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABIL- ITIES
																	For 1908	Paid Grand Secretary			
178	Anchor.....	Royalton.....	38	3	3	3	3	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	39	\$ 23.40	\$ 23.40	\$ 179.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 25.20
179	King David.....	Elmore.....	50	4	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	52	52	25.20	25.20	140.50	366.77	
180	Osakis.....	Osakis.....	51	4	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	52	52	29.40	29.40	141.00	579.17	
181	Dalles.....	Cloquet.....	151	9	9	9	9	3	9	9	1	1	1	1	135	135	76.80	76.80	562.00	6,163.05	
182	Fair Haven.....	Annandale.....	35	5	5	5	5	3	5	5	1	1	1	1	41	41	21.40	21.80	100.00	515.67	21.80
184	Shell.....	Park Rapids.....	86	5	5	5	5	3	5	5	1	1	1	1	89	89	45.60	45.60	410.50	741.24	168.00
185	Midway.....	St. Paul.....	102	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	103	103	49.80	49.80	300.00	1,318.86	
186	Ionic.....	Duluth.....	418	28	29	30	30	9	39	6	6	3	3	3	448	448	250.60	253.60		16,939.29	8,002.63
187	Arcana.....	Minneapolis.....	173	6	11	10	10	3	13	3	3	5	5	5	179	179	93.40	93.40	200.00	6,300.00	330.00
188	Fortitude.....	Two Harbors.....	100	8	7	7	7	3	9	3	3	1	1	1	109	109	62.00	62.00	292.00	1,598.00	
189	Traverse.....	Wheaton.....	59	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	53	53	23.00	23.00	151.00	6,348.38	3,240.00
190	Triune.....	St. Paul.....	141	10	8	8	8	3	10	4	3	3	3	3	147	147	80.80	80.80	188.00	3,032.00	100.00
191	Mizpah.....	South St. Paul.....	53	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	53	53	12.00	13.00	20.00	196.53	
192	Crow River.....	Belgrade.....	24	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	22	22	15.80	15.40	30.00	128.97	
193	Amboy.....	Amboy.....	39	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	40	40	36.40	36.40	266.25	4,680.91	1,600.00
194	Canton.....	Canton.....	78	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	78	78	36.40	36.40	18.00	709.37	
195	Renville.....	Renville.....	59	4	6	6	6	3	6	1	1	1	1	1	60	60	24.80	24.80		800.00	800.00
196	Geneva.....	Madison.....	41	6	5	4	4	3	6	1	1	1	1	1	106	106	54.80	54.80	253.00	1,795.52	
197	Vermilion.....	West Duluth.....	103	5	18	18	18	2	21	9	4	2	2	2	167	167	132.80	132.80	440.00	18,716.00	8,000.00
198	Euclid.....	Tower.....	157	31	25	25	25	4	31	5	1	1	1	1	191	191	29.40	29.40	124.00	1,279.14	
199	Murray.....	Springfield.....	63	1	4	4	4	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	68	68	31.40	31.40	40.00	1,437.50	
200	Zenith.....	Kenyon.....	71	4	5	5	5	3	8	1	1	1	1	1	75	75	20.40	20.40	20.00	3,043.88	720.40
201	Kenyon.....	Dawson.....	26	4	3	3	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	29	29	28.40	28.40	179.50	333.49	
202	Acelor.....	Stewartville.....	31	4	6	6	6	3	8	2	2	2	2	2	38	38	39.00	37.00	76.00	599.79	
203	Stewartville.....	Jasper.....	78	2	4	4	4	3	5	3	1	1	1	1	83	83	20.20	20.20	80.50	280.76	
204	St. Elmo.....	Wayzata.....	30	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	33	33	20.20	20.20	180.00	777.71	150.00
205	Wayzata.....	Staples.....	52	8	11	13	13	2	16	1	1	1	1	1	62	62	77.60	77.60	364.50	1,845.12	31.80
207	Frederick.....	Grand Rapids.....	120	11	11	12	12	1	13	4	4	1	1	2	130	130	60.60	65.60	418.50	2,807.06	
208	Sibley.....	Winthrop.....	77	5	2	2	2	1	8	3	3	3	3	3	88	88	19.40	19.40	66.00	680.16	
209	Heron Lake.....	Heron Lake.....	28	4	4	4	4	1	5	2	2	2	2	2	33	33	24.80	24.80	26.40	792.95	
210	Columbian.....	Graceville.....	39	4	6	6	6	1	9	3	3	3	3	3	44	44	31.20	30.80	157.60	494.36	
211	Friendship.....	Hallock.....	38	4	6	6	6	1	9	3	3	3	3	3	44	44	31.20	30.80	157.60	494.36	
212	Hallock.....	Hallock.....	58	10	9	9	9	1	9	6	3	3	3	3	61	61	48.80	48.80	140.00	1,727.37	

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NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPELLED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1909	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABIL- ITIES
																	For 1908	Paid Grand Secretary			
239	Berry.....	Akeley.....	41	8	4	5	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	2	2	45	\$ 32.60	\$ 32.60	\$ 156.00	\$ 272.00	\$ 100.00
240	Truth.....	Bricelyn.....	22	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	14.40	14.40	28.00	229.34	400.00
241	Fairfax.....	Fairfax.....	21	4	3	4	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	8.00	8.00	2.00	622.13	10.00
242	Lake Wilson.....	Lake Wilson.....	23	4	3	7	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	20.20	21.20	54.00	382.00	10.00
243	Fusler.....	St. Paul.....	44	8	7	7	2	2	9	5	5	5	5	5	5	53	39.60	43.20	70.00	966.40	1,100.00
244	Virginia.....	Virginia.....	91	8	10	10	1	1	11	5	1	1	1	1	1	97	62.40	62.40	30.00	2,783.00	1,100.00
245	Compass.....	Robbinsdale.....	37	4	2	2	3	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	22.40	24.40	30.00	260.00	1,100.00
246	Onyx.....	Westbrook.....	30	13	13	11	11	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	47.80	47.80	30.00	583.70	38.33
247	Warroad.....	Warroad.....	28	13	13	11	11	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	18.80	18.80	2.00	217.58	38.33
248	Roseau.....	Roseau.....	13	6	5	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	28.40	28.40	2.00	241.00	38.33
249	Eagle Bend.....	Eagle Bend.....	11	8	8	8	8	8	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	23.00	23.00	2.00	241.00	38.33
250	Koochiching, U. D.....	International Falls.....	11	9	7	7	7	7	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	4.00	4.00	2.00	241.00	38.33
251	Canisteo, U. D.....	Canisteo.....	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	12.50	15.00	2.00	241.00	38.33
252	Osins, U. D.....	Spooner.....	11	7	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	12.50	15.00	2.00	241.00	38.33
Grand Total.....			23,010	1577	1481	1455	404	79	1938	564	208	5	3	302	1082	23,866	\$ 13,148.30	\$ 1,174.90	\$ 35,899.67	\$ 668,624.02	\$ 132,563.84

APPENDIX G.

PAY ROLL 1939.

GRAND OFFICERS		Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
Wm. P. Roberts, G. Master.....	\$.20	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.20	W. P. Roberts.	
E. E. Swan, Dep. G. M.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	E. E. Swan.	
Wm. B. Patton, S. G. Warden.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	Wm. B. Patton.	
E. A. Kling, J. G. Warden.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	E. A. Kling.	
D. W. Knowlton, G. Treas.....	.20	6.00	6.20	David W. Knowlton	
John Fishel, G. Sec.....		6.00	6.00	Jno. Fishel.	
Wm. C. Odell, G. Orator.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	Wm. C. Odell.	
G. E. Satterlee, G. Chap.....		6.00	6.00	G. E. Satterlee.	
Owen Morris, S. G. D.....		6.00	6.00	Owen Morris.	
L. A. Hanes, J. G. D.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	L. A. Hanes.	
R. E. Denfeld, G. Marshal.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	R. E. Denfeld.	
Wm. A. Hawkins, G. St. B.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	W. A. Hawkins.	
E. W. Rossman, G. Sw. B.....	4.75	6.00	10.75	E. W. Rossman.	
F. J. Meyst, S. G. S.....	.20	6.00	6.20	F. J. Meyst.	
Geo. D. La Bar, J. G. S.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	Geo. D. La Bar.	
Russell Spicer, G. P.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	Russell Spicer.	
PERMANENT MEMBERS					
H. R. Wells, P. G. M.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	Henry R. Wells.	
H. R. Denny, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	H. R. Denny.	
C. L. Brown, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	C. L. Brown.	
A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	A. T. Stebbins.	
A. Brandenburg, P. G. M.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	A. Brandenburg.	
G. S. Ives, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	G. S. Ives.	
A. D. Countryman, P. G. M.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	A. D. Countryman.	
H. R. Adams, P. G. M.....	.20	6.00	6.20	H. R. Adams.	
W. A. McGonagle, P. G. M.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	W. A. McGonagle.	
H. M. Tusler, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	H. M. Tusler.	
Tom Morris, P. G. M.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	Tom Morris.	
Gustaf Widell, P. G. M.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	Gustaf Widell.	
C. L. West, P. D. G. M.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	C. L. West.	
Sam. E. Adams, P. S. G. W.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Sam. E. Adams.	
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Edgar Nash.	
J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.	
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS					
O. C. Hanson.....	6.30	9.00	15.30	O. C. Hanson.	
J. T. Johnson.....	7.50	9.00	16.50	J. T. Johnson.	
C. M. Johnson.....	2.15	9.00	11.15	C. M. Johnson.	
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.					
No. of Dist.	NAME	Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
2	L. H. Rice, Park Rapids.....	8.30	6.00	14.30	L. H. Rice.
3	J. A. Robinson, Hibbing.....	8.75	6.00	14.75	J. A. Robinson.
5	Wm. Barber, Long Prairie.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	Wm. Barber.
6	E. H. Sherwin, Monticello.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	E. H. Sherwin.
7	J. P. McGinty, Anoka.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	J. P. McGinty.
8	J. Q. Mackintosh, Stillwater.....	.60	6.00	6.60	J. Q. Mackintosh.
9	Walter Dixon, Kimball.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	Walter Dixon.
11	J. W. Johnson, St. Paul.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	John W. Johnson.
12	Wm. Bushnell, Wayzata.....	.85	6.00	6.85	Wm. Bushnell.
13	Geo. E. Swift, Robbinsdale.....	.40	6.00	6.40	G. E. Swift.
14	J. K. Robinson, St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	J. K. Robinson.
15	Chas. Mitchell, St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	Chas. Mitchell.
16	Jas. E. Dean, Graceville.....	7.35	6.00	13.35	Jas. E. Dean.
17	G. W. Diepenbrock, Olivia.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	G. W. Diepenbrock.
18	A. F. Trewe, Young America.....	2.00	6.00	8.00	A. F. Trewe.
19	W. H. Tomlinson, Le Sueur.....	2.30	6.00	8.30	W. H. Tomlinson.
22	F. W. Damp, Walnut Grove.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	F. W. Damp.
24	E. P. Rutan, Mankato.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	E. P. Rutan.
26	O. M. Henderson, Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. M. Henderson.
29	J. J. McCaughey, Kasson.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	J. J. McCaughey.
31	J. N. Thatcher, Brownsdale.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	J. N. Thatcher.
34	F. E. Gartside, Winona.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	F. E. Gartside.

PAY ROLL, 1909.—Continued.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
1	St. Johns.....	Stillwater.....	.60	6.00	6.60	Ira E. King.
2	Cataract.....	Minneapolis.....	.20	6.00	6.20	W. G. Whitcomb.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	T. P. Edwards.
4	Hennepin.....	Minneapolis.....	.20	6.00	6.20	R. D. Webb.
5	Ancient Landmark	St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	M. O. Nelson.
7	Dakota.....	Hastings.....	.80	6.00	6.80	A. E. Johnson.
8	Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	H. J. Herder.
9	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	J. S. Seeley.
11	Mantorville.....	Mantorville.....	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. M. F. Cooper.
12	Mankato.....	Mankato.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	F. W. Bates.
14	Wapahasa.....	Wabasha.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	Jos. Buisson.
16	Monticello.....	Monticello.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	T. H. Bertram.
18	Winona.....	Winona.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	Chas. Kroeger.
19	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	.20	6.00	6.20	C. E. Braden.
20	Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	F. B. Collins.
21	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	Theo. A. Schacht.
22	Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	C. L. Denny.
23	North Star.....	St. Cloud.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	A. H. Leimbacher.
24	Wilton.....	Alma City.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	Wm. M. Griffith.
27	Blue Earth Valley.....	Winnebago City.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	E. O. Gulbranson.
28	Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	C. W. Whittemore.
29	Morning Star.....	La Crescent.....	5.15	6.00	11.15	J. W. Welch.
31	King Hiram.....	Jordan.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	Wm. Denning.
32	Sakata.....	Waterville.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	A. E. Hasler.
34	Oriental.....	Cannon Falls.....	1.60	6.00	7.60	James A. Filson.
36	Preston.....	Preston.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	T. I. Garratt.
37	Mystic Tie.....	Pine Island.....	6.05	6.00	12.05	Thos. H. Dunn.
38	Washington.....	West Concord.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	H. W. Severns.
39	Fidelity.....	Austin.....	3.90	6.00	9.90	Peter Hanson.
40	Carmelian.....	Lake City.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	Albert Roberson.
41	Hermion.....	Zumbrota.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	P. W. Mook.
42	Hope.....	Glencoe.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	H. L. Simons.
43	Harmony.....	Lewiston.....	4.90	6.00	10.90	O. W. Hunt.
45	Union.....	Le Sueur.....	2.30	6.00	8.30	Geo. J. Diener.
46	Evergreen.....	Clyde.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	Jno. Gerry.
47	Concord.....	Cleveland.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	Wm. Van Antwerp
48	Social.....	Northfield.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	J. M. Walden.
49	Rising Sun.....	St. Charles.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	J. W. Hart.
51	Acacia.....	Cottage Grove.....	.30	6.00	6.30	I. T. Morey.
52	Cannon River.....	Morristown.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	Geo. Molm.
54	Nicollet.....	St. Peter.....	2.90	6.00	8.90	G. F. Merritt.
56	Meridian.....	Chatfield.....	4.75	6.00	10.75	W. H. Ball.
57	Blue Earth City.....	Blue Earth.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	F. V. Cummings.
58	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	E. G. Washburn.
59	Temple.....	Hutchinson.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	J. H. Burns.
60	Star in the West.....	Sauk Centre.....	4.65	6.00	10.65	E. A. Richards.
61	Ashler.....	Eyota.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	F. S. Seymour.
62	Star.....	Rockford.....	1.70	6.00	7.70	D. R. Thompson.
63	Illustrious.....	Plainview.....	4.80	6.00	10.80	E. E. Smith.
64	Chain Lake.....	Fairmont.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	B. H. Curtis.
66	Madelia.....	Madelia.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	J. E. Hayercraft.
67	Corinthian.....	Farmington.....	1.00	6.00	7.00	E. L. Brackett.
69	Mystic Star.....	Rushford.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	A. K. Hanson, Jr.
71	Paynesville.....	New Paynesville.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	Thos. C. Johnston.
75	Eureka.....	Le Roy.....	4.55	6.00	10.55	Forster L. Roy.
76	Joppa.....	Good Thunder.....	4.00	6.00	10.00	W. B. Falancer.
79	Palestine.....	Duluth.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	A. C. Volk.
81	Constellation.....	Alexandria.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	J. J. Volker.
82	Howard.....	Howard Lake.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	H. D. Garman.
83	Huram Abi.....	Rasson.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	C. T. Goodrich.
84	Orient.....	Money Creek.....	5.85	6.00	11.85	Taylor Robinson.
85	High Forest.....	High Forest.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	F. E. Dean.
86	Tyrian.....	Mazeppa.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	N. L. Munger.
87	Doric.....	Wells.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	T. M. Mott.
89	Golden Fleece.....	Litchfield.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	N. E. Anderson.
90	Good Faith.....	Jackson.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	A. T. Fiddes.

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
91	Antiquity	Redwood Falls.	4.25	6.00	10.25	C. V. Everett.
92	Fraternal	Princeton.	2.60	6.00	8.60	T. L. Armitage.
93	Unity	Sank Rapids.	3.20	6.00	9.20	Wm. Sartell.
94	Keystone	Sleepy Eye.	4.15	6.00	10.15	Jesse Palmer.
95	Sherburne	Elk River.	1.65	6.00	7.65	F. D. Waterman.
97	Prudence	Windom.	5.70	6.00	11.70	G. E. LeTourneau.
99	Corner Stone	Fergus Falls.	7.50	6.00	13.50	L. L. LaRue.
100	Aurora	Brainerd.	5.45	6.00	11.45	G. H. Warner.
101	Fraternity	Worthington.	7.10	6.00	13.10	Stelle S. Smith.
102	Lebanon	Lanesboro.	5.60	6.00	11.60	G. J. McMaster.
103	Bethel	Lake Crystal.	3.70	6.00	9.70	P. D. Neff.
104	Sharon	Willmar.	4.10	6.00	10.10	A. Bakke.
106	Mt. Tabor	Detroit.	8.15	6.00	14.15	C. G. Sturtevant.
108	Relief	Dodge Center.	2.90	6.00	8.90	A. S. Palmerlee.
109	Sunset	Montevideo.	5.75	6.00	11.75	H. W. Seiler.
110	Pickwick	Pickwick.	4.50	6.00	10.50	F. R. Sinclair.
111	Carver	Carver.	1.10	6.00	7.10	O. C. Brunius.
112	Khurum	Minneapolis.	.20	6.00	6.20	G. A. Petri.
113	Excelsior	Excelsior.	.70	6.00	6.70	C. O. Woodruff.
114	Ben Franklin	Luverne.	8.35	6.00	14.35	S. C. Res.
115	Elgin	Elgin.	4.45	6.00	10.45	D. W. McDougall.
116	Lafayette	Brownsdale.	4.10	6.00	10.10	M. J. McGowan.
117	Granite	Granite Falls.	5.20	6.00	11.20	F. J. Cressy.
118	Newport	Newport.	.30	6.00	6.30	J. M. Norris.
119	Delta	Marshall.	6.20	6.00	12.20	J. C. Burchard.
121	Grand Meadow	Grand Meadow	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. A. Wright.
122	Kellogg	Kellogg.	3.05	6.00	9.05	C. F. Wolfe.
123	Prairie	Blooming Prairie	3.40	6.00	9.40	E. Morton.
124	Janesville	Janesville.	3.35	6.00	9.35	M. J. Ryan.
125	Winslow Lewis	Osseo.	.95	6.00	6.95	L. Schwappach.
126	Moorhead	Moorhead.	9.65	6.00	15.65	J. P. Wolfe.
128	Josephus	Mapleton.	4.05	6.00	10.05	F. J. Bomberger.
129	Swift	Benson.	5.30	6.00	11.30	E. A. Smith.
131	Alma	Lyle.	4.40	6.00	10.40	O. H. Dahl.
132	Humboldt	Young America	2.00	6.00	8.00	A. H. Ackermann.
133	Golden Sheaf	Morris.	6.30	6.00	12.30	J. W. Eddy.
134	Cokato	Cokato.	2.40	6.00	8.40	Chas. Rickard.
135	Nelson	Buffalo.	2.20	6.00	8.20	Adolph Frend.
136	Walnut	Walnut Grove.	5.70	6.00	11.70	W. J. McDonald.
137	Appleton	Appleton.	6.20	6.00	12.20	C. A. Brown.
138	Orion	Atwater.	3.60	6.00	9.60	M. Anderson.
139	Verndale	Verndale.	6.10	6.00	12.10	F. A. Thompson.
140	Little Falls	Little Falls.	4.30	6.00	10.30	H. E. Meyer.
141	Crookston	Crookston.	11.70	6.00	17.70	C. L. Bang.
142	Currie	Currie.	5.00	6.00	11.00	E. Berrean.
143	Lakeview	Ortonville.	7.10	6.00	13.10	James Newton.
144	Bird Island	Bird Island.	3.20	6.00	9.20	L. E. Sherwood.
145	Melrose	Melrose.	4.35	6.00	10.35	H. C. Maguren.
146	Benton	Lake Benton.	7.40	6.00	13.40	W. W. Bliven.
147	Canby	Canby.	7.20	6.00	13.20	H. D. Reed.
148	Quarry	Pipestone.	7.80	6.00	13.80	G. D. Rice.
149	Guardian	Brownston.	2.85	6.00	8.85	C. T. Hall.
150	Warren	Warren.	12.90	6.00	18.90	G. E. Keenan.
152	Frontier	Breckenridge.	8.60	6.00	14.60	D. J. Jones.
153	Kodahya	Browns Valley.	8.15	6.00	14.15	L. C. Bigelow.
154	Norman	Ada.	10.00	6.00	16.00	L. M. Lee.
156	Wadena	Wadena.	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. A. Sedgwick.
157	Perham	Perham.	7.30	6.00	13.30	S. Friedman.
158	Hector	Hector.	3.50	6.00	9.50	A. B. Anderson.
160	Plymouth	Minneapolis.	.20	6.00	6.20	F. M. Acker.
161	Sincerity	Villard.	5.55	6.00	11.55	J. W. Carpenter.
162	Prescott	Herman.	6.95	6.00	12.95	A. W. Wells.
163	Summit	St. Paul.		6.00	6.00	J. H. Beek.
164	Jasper	Rush City.	2.15	6.00	8.15	A. M. Matson.
165	Minnehaha	Minneapolis.	.20	6.00	6.20	H. S. Hanson.
166	Garnet	White Bear.	.50	6.00	6.50	T. L. Bourquin.

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167	Agate	Campbell	7.70	6.00	13.70	Ben Baker.
168	Braden	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	J. F. Pratt.
170	Fulda	Fulda	7.00	6.00	13.00	Jno. Bachman.
171	Shekinah	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	Robt. B. Burns.
172	Marietta	Marietta	7.25	6.00	10.80	J. M. Snyder.
173	Plumb Line	Kimball	2.80	6.00	8.80	J. G. Reeves.
174	Valley	Glenwood	5.20	6.00	11.20	H. J. Wood.
176	Ark	Minneapolis	1.20	6.00	6.20	J. C. Lauber.
177	Rough Ashlar	Belle Plaine	1.85	6.00	7.85	P. Buetow.
178	Anchor	Royalton	3.70	6.00	9.70	J. H. Miller.
179	King David	Elmore	5.60	6.00	11.60	W. H. Leak.
180	Osakis	Osakis	5.25	6.00	11.25	Knute Swore.
181	Dalles	Cloquet	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. J. Campbell.
182	Fair Haven	Annandale	2.50	6.00	8.50	Harry Kurz.
184	Shell	Park Rapids	8.30	6.00	14.30	F. M. Sheppard.
185	Midway	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	C. N. Orr.
186	Ionic	Duluth	6.00	6.00	12.00	C. B. Miller.
187	Arcana	Minneapolis	.20	6.00	6.20	W. A. Gulick.
189	Traverse	Wheaton	8.10	6.00	14.10	Jared Burton.
190	Triune	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	A. L. Ries.
191	Mizpah	South St. Paul	.20	6.00	6.20	T. G. Michelmores.
193	Amboy	Amboy	4.50	6.00	10.50	S. T. Lamas.
194	Canton	Canton	7.50	6.00	13.50	E. P. Hudson.
195	Renville	Renville	4.60	6.00	10.60	N. L. Johnson.
196	Geneva	Madison	6.80	6.00	12.80	Bas. H. Chalmers.
197	Vermillion	Tower	10.00	6.00	16.00	E. J. Morcom.
198	Euclid	West Duluth	6.00	6.00	12.00	David Graham.
199	Murray	Slayton	7.35	6.00	13.35	C. A. Norton.
200	Zenith	Springfield	4.60	6.00	10.60	J. S. Shrader.
201	Kenyon	Kenyon	2.10	6.00	8.10	A. Mohn.
202	Atelier	Dawson	6.45	6.00	12.45	C. W. Page.
203	Stewartville	Stewartville	4.05	6.00	10.05	J. E. Smith.
204	St. Elmo	Jasper	8.10	6.00	14.10	J. H. Bong.
207	Crescent	Staples	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. G. Cameron.
208	Itasca	Grand Rapids	8.90	6.00	14.90	E. A. Kremer.
209	Sibley	Winthrop	3.15	6.00	9.15	Frank Hagberg.
210	Columbian	Heron Lake	6.40	6.00	12.40	Le Roy Brown.
211	Friendship	Graceville	7.35	6.00	13.35	C. S. Pierce.
212	Hallock	Hallock	14.60	6.00	20.60	E. C. Yetter.
213	Mystic	Aitkin	6.60	6.00	12.60	Irvin Innes.
214	Evansville	Evansville	6.35	6.00	12.35	O. Dahlheim.
215	Argyle	Argyle	13.35	6.00	19.35	Robt. Donaldson.
216	Florence	Wood Lake	5.20	6.00	11.20	A. E. Martin.
217	Capital City	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	J. P. Jelinek.
218	Griswold	Dassel	2.60	6.00	8.60	Emil Werner.
219	Mt. Hermon	Hancock	5.95	6.00	11.95	R. L. Blackman.
221	Equity	Cottonwood	6.10	6.00	12.10	J. G. Koely.
222	Elysian	Elysian	2.85	6.00	8.85	R. N. Gordon.
224	Minnesota	Minneapolis	.20	6.00	6.20	Irvin P. Jones.
225	Justice	Lamberton	5.30	6.00	11.30	L. Redding.
226	Lincoln	Milaca	2.90	6.00	8.90	W. S. Foster.
227	Park Region	Elbow Lake	6.85	6.00	12.85	P. G. Stahl.
228	Vernon Center	Vernon Center	4.30	6.00	10.30	G. C. Cornish.
230	Alpha	Hendrum	11.20	6.00	17.20	J. W. Johnson.
231	Magnolia	Sherburn	5.55	6.00	11.55	Wm. Masters.
232	Chisago	North Branch	1.65	6.00	7.65	O. W. Fagerstrom.
233	Bemidji	Bemidji	9.30	6.00	15.30	W. B. Stewart.
234	Sandstone	Sandstone	3.45	6.00	9.45	A. Kelly.
235	Edgerton	Edgerton	12.05	6.00	18.05	A. Pilling.
236	Northern	Thief River Falls	11.90	6.00	17.90	W. B. Fuller.
237	Albert Pike	Hopkins	.50	6.00	6.50	A. H. Nash.
238	Equality	Minneota	6.45	6.00	12.45	B. B. Gislason.
240	Astra	Lester Prairie	2.10	3.00	5.10	John Blacketter.
242	Ruthton	Ruthton	7.00	6.00	13.00	J. F. Carlson.
244	Coteau	Russell	7.10	6.00	13.10	E. Skyhawk.
245	Wabasso	Wabasso	5.40	6.00	11.40	W. A. Hauck.

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246	Fides.....	Sanborn.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	F. W. Stevens.
247	Morality.....	Hendricks.....	8.05	6.00	14.05	L. M. Lerwick.
249	Barto.....	Echo.....	4.95	6.00	10.95	P. Melcher.
250	Lakefield.....	Lakefield.....	6.45	6.00	12.45	G. H. Wood.
251	McKinley.....	Tyler.....	7.05	6.00	13.05	T. T. Grondlund.
252	Morton.....	Morton.....	4.25	6.00	10.25	R. H. C. Hinman.
253	Dexter.....	Dexter.....	4.45	6.00	10.45	W. E. Daily.
254	Lake Park.....	Lake Park.....	8.65	6.00	14.65	John Nelson.
255	Mesaba.....	Hibbing.....	8.75	6.00	14.75	Grier H. Thompson
256	Hawley.....	Hawley.....	9.15	6.00	15.15	T. B. C. Evans.
257	Fellowship.....	No. St. Paul.....	.20	6.00	6.20	C. B. Boody.
258	Montgomery.....	St. Paul.....	.....	6.00	6.00	G. A. Colberg.
259	Berry.....	Akeley.....	9.05	6.00	15.05	C. C. Hunter.
260	Truth.....	Bricelyn.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	C. P. Beadle.
261	Fairfax.....	Fairfax.....	3.90	6.00	8.00	A. M. Wallace.
263	Tusler.....	St. Paul.....	.....	6.00	6.00	C. H. Greene.
264	Virginia.....	Virginia.....	8.95	6.00	14.95	John H. Crowe.
267	Warroad.....	Warroad.....	20.60	6.00	26.60	Jno. A. Larson.
268	Roseau.....	Roseau.....	16.60	6.00	18.80	G. M. Stebbins.
269	Eagle Bend.....	Eagle Bend.....	6.10	6.00	12.10	Wm. H. Byman.
	Total.....	.....	.....	.....	2847.20	

APPENDIX H.

NAMES OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Name	No.	Name	No.	Name	No.
Acacia	51	Frontier	152	North Star	23
Agate	167	Fulda	170	Onyx	220
Albert Pike	237	Garnet	166	Onyx	266
Alpha	230	Geneva	196	Orient	84
Alma	131	Golden Fleece	89	Orient	34
Amboy	193	Golden Sheaf	133	Orion	138
Anchor	178	Good Faith	90	Osakis	180
Ancient Landmark	5	Grand Meadow	121	Osiris	272
Anoka	30	Granite	117	Palatine	79
Antiquity	91	Griswold	218	Park Region	227
Appleton	137	Guardian	149	Paynesville	71
Arcana	187	Hallock	212	Pickham	157
Argyle	215	Harmony	43	Pickwick	110
Ark	176	Hawley	256	Pleasant	169
Ashler	61	Hector	158	Pleasant Grove	22
Astra	240	Henderson	80	Plumb Line	173
Atelier	202	Hennepin	4	Plymouth	160
Aurora	100	Hermon	41	Prairie	123
Barto	249	High Forest	85	Prescott	162
Bemidji	233	Hope	42	Preston	36
Ben Franklin	114	Howard	82	Prudence	97
Benton	146	Humboldt	132	Quarry	148
Berry	259	Huram Abi	83	Raymond	248
Bethel	103	Illustrious	63	Red Wing	8
Bird Island	144	Ionic	186	Relief	108
Blue Earth City	57	Itasca	208	Renville	195
Blue Earth Valley	27	Janesville	124	Rising Sun	49
Braden	168	Jasper	164	Rochester	21
Caledonia	20	Joppa	76	Roman Eagle	175
Canby	147	Josephus	128	Roseau	268
Canisteo	271	Justice	225	Rough Ashlar	177
Cannon River	52	Kellogg	122	Ruthton	242
Canton	194	Kenyon	201	St. Elmo	204
Capital City	217	Keystone	94	St. Johns	1
Ca nelian	40	Khurum	112	St. Paul	3
Carver	111	King David	179	Sakatah	32
Cass	243	King Hiram	31	Sandstone	234
Cataract	2	King Solomon	44	Sharon	104
Chain Lake	64	Kodahya	153	Shekinah	171
Charity	98	Koochiching	270	Shell	184
Chaska	151	Lafayette	116	Sherburne	95
Chisago	232	Lakefield	250	Sibley	209
Clear Water	28	Lake Park	254	Sincerity	161
Cokato	134	Lakeview	143	Social	48
Columbian	210	Lake Wilson	262	Spring Valley	58
Compass	265	Lansing	72	Star	62
Concord	47	Lebanon	102	Star in the East	33
Constellation	81	Libanus	96	Star in the West	60
Corinthian	67	Lincoln	226	Stewart	229
Corner Stone	99	Little Falls	140	Stewartville	203
Coteau	244	Long Prairie	159	Summit	163
Crescent	207	Madelia	66	Sunset	109
Crookston	141	Magnolia	231	Swift	129
Crow River	192	Mankato	12	Temple	59
Currie	142	Mantorville	11	Tracy	155
Dakota	7	Marietta	172	Traverse	189
Dalles	181	McKinley	251	Truth	260
Delta	119	Melrose	145	Triune	190
Dexter	253	Meridian	56	Tuscan	77
Doric	87	Mesaba	255	Tusler	263
Eagle Bend	269	Midway	185	Tyrian	86
Edgerton	235	Minneapolis	19	Union	45
Elgin	115	Minnehaha	165	Unity	93
Elysian	222	Minnesota	224	Valley	174
Equality	238	Mizpah	191	Vermillion	197
Equity	221	Montgomery	258	Verndale	139
Euclid	198	Monticello	16	Vernon Center	228
Eureka	75	Moorhead	126	Virginia	264
Evansville	214	Mora	223	Wabasso	245
Eveleth	239	Morality	247	Wadena	156
Evergreen	46	Morning Star	29	Walnut	136
Excelsior	113	Morton	252	Wapahassa	14
Fairfax	261	Mount Hermon	219	Warren	150
Fairhaven	182	Mount Tabor	106	Warroad	267
Faribault	9	Murray	198	Washington	38
Fellowship	257	Mystic	213	Watertown	50
Fidelity	39	Mystic Circle	78	Wayzata	205
Fides	246	Mystic Star	69	Western Star	26
Florence	216	Mystic Tie	37	Wilton	24
Fortitude	188	Nelson	135	Winona	18
Fraternal	92	Newport	118	Winslow Lewis	125
Fraternity	101	Nicollet	54	Zenith	200
Frazee	241	Norman	154	Zion	55
Friendship	211	Northern	236		

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Location	Lodge	No.	Location	Lodge	No.
Ada	Norman	154	Excelsior	Excelsior	113
Adrian	Roman Eagle	175	Eyota	Ashler	61
Aitkin	Mystic	213	Fairfax	Fairfax	261
Akeley	Berry	259	Fairmont	Chain Lake	64
Albert Lea	Western Star	26	Faribault	Faribault	9
Alexandria	Constellation	81	Farmington	Corinthian	67
Alma City	Wilton	24	Fergus Falls	Corner Stone	99
Amboy	Amboy	193	Frazee	Frazee	241
Annandale	Fair Haven	182	Fulda	Fulda	179
Anoka	Anoka	30	Glencoe	Hope	42
Appleton	Appleton	137	Glenwood	Valley	174
Argyle	Argyle	215	Good Thunder	Joppa	76
Atwater	Orion	138	Graceville	Friendship	211
Austin	Fidelity	39	Grand Meadow	Grand Meadow	121
Barnesville	Pierson	169	Grand Rapids	Itasca	208
Belgrade	Crow River	192	Granite Falls	Granite	117
Beile Plaine	Rough Ashlar	177	Hallock	Hallock	212
Bemidji	Bemidji	233	Hancock	Mt. Hermon	219
Benson	Swift	129	Hastings	Dakota	7
Bird Island	Bird Island	144	Hawley	Hawley	256
Blooming Prairie	Prairie	123	Hector	Hector	158
Blue Earth	Blue Earth City	57	Henderson	Henderson	80
Brainerd	Aurora	100	Hendricks	Morality	247
Breckenridge	Frontier	152	Hendrum	Alpha	230
Bricelyn	Truth	260	Herman	Prescott	162
Brown's Valley	Kodahya	153	Heron Lake	Columbian	210
Brownsdale	Lafayette	116	Hibbing	Mesaba	255
Brownton	Guardian	149	High Forest	High Forest	85
Buffalo	Neison	135	Hopkins	Albert Pike	237
Caledonia	Caledonia	20	Houston	Mystic Circle	78
Campbell	Agate	167	Howard Lake	Howard	82
Canby	Canby	147	Hutchinson	Temple	59
Cannon Falls	Oriental	34	International 'Fall	Koochiching	270
Canton	Canton	194	Jackson	Good Faith	90
Carver	Carver	111	Janesville	Janesville	124
Cass Lake	Cass	243	Jasper	St. Elmo	204
Chaska	Chaska	151	Jordan	King Hiram	31
Chatfield	Meridian	56	Kasson	Huram Abi	83
Clear Water	Clear Water	28	Kellogg	Kellogg	122
Cleveland	Concord	47	Kenyon	Kenyon	201
Cloquet	Dalles	181	Kimball	Plumb Line	173
Clyde	Evergreen	46	La Crescent	Morning Star	29
Cokato	Cokato	134	Lake Benton	Benton	146
Coleraine	Canisteo	271	Lake City	Carnelian	40
Cottage Grove	Aencia	51	Lake Crystal	Bethel	103
Cottonwood	Equity	221	Lakefield	Lakefield	250
Crookston	Crookston	141	Lake Park	Lake Park	254
Currie	Currie	142	Lake Wilson	Lake Wilson	262
Dassel	Griswold	218	Lamberton	Justice	225
Dawson	Atelier	202	Lanesboro	Lebanon	102
Detroit	Mt. Tabor	106	Lansing	Lansing	72
Dexter	Dexter	253	Le Roy	Eureka	75
Dodge Center	Relief	108	Lester Prairie	Astra	240
Duluth	Palestine	79	Le Sueur	Union	45
Duluth	Ionic	186	Lewiston	Harmony	43
Eagle Bend	Eagle Bend	209	Litchfield	Golden Fleece	89
Echo	Barto	249	Little Falls	Little Falls	140
Edgerton	Edgerton	234	Long Prairie	Long Prairie	159
Elbow Lake	Park Region	227	Luverne	Ben Franklin	114
Elgin	Elgin	115	Lyle	Alma	131
Elk River	Sherburne	95	Madelia	Madelia	66
Elmore	King David	179	Madison	Geneva	196
Elysian	Elysian	222	Mankato	Mankato	12
Evansville	Evansville	214	Mantorville	Mantorville	11
Eveleth	Eveleth	239	Marietta	Marietta	172

APPENDIX I—Continued.

Location	Lodge	No.	Location	Lodge	No.
Marshall.....	Delta.....	119	Slayton.....	Murray.....	199
Mapleton.....	Josephus.....	128	Sherburn.....	Magnolia.....	231
Mazeppa.....	Tyrian.....	86	Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone.....	94
Melrose.....	Melrose.....	145	South St. Paul..	Mizpah.....	191
Milaca.....	Lincoln.....	226	Spooner.....	Osiris.....	272
Minneapolis.....	Cataract.....	2	Springfield.....	Zenith.....	230
Minneapolis.....	Hennepia.....	4	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	58
Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	19	Staples.....	Crescent.....	207
Minneapolis.....	Khurum.....	112	Stewart.....	Stewart.....	229
Minneapolis.....	Plymouth.....	160	Stewartville.....	Stewartville.....	203
Minneapolis.....	Minnehaha.....	165	Stillwater.....	St. Johns.....	1
Minneapolis.....	Aik.....	176	St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49
Minneapolis.....	Arcana.....	187	St. Cloud.....	North Star.....	23
Minneapolis.....	Minnesota.....	224	St. James.....	Libanus.....	96
Minneota.....	Equality.....	238	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3
Money Creek.....	Orient.....	84	St. Paul.....	Ancient Landmark	5
Montevideo.....	Sunset.....	109	St. Paul.....	Summit.....	163
Monticello.....	Monticello.....	16	St. Paul.....	Braden.....	168
Moorhead.....	Moorhead.....	126	St. Paul.....	Shekinah.....	171
Mora.....	Mora.....	223	St. Paul.....	Midway.....	185
Morris.....	Golden Sheaf.....	133	St. Paul.....	Triune.....	190
Morristown.....	Cannon River.....	52	St. Paul.....	Capital City.....	217
Morton.....	Morton.....	252	St. Paul.....	Montgomery.....	258
Newport.....	Newport.....	118	St. Paul.....	Tusler.....	263
New Ulm.....	Charity.....	98	St. Peter.....	Nicollet.....	54
North Branch.....	Chisago.....	232	Taylor's Falls.....	Zion.....	55
North St. Paul.....	Fellowship.....	257	Thief River Falls	Northern.....	236
Northfield.....	Social.....	48	Tower.....	Vermillion.....	197
Olivia.....	Olivia.....	220	Tracy.....	Tracy.....	155
Ortonville.....	Lakeview.....	143	Two Harbors.....	Fortitude.....	188
Osakis.....	Osakis.....	180	Tyler.....	McKinley.....	251
Osseo.....	Winslow Lewis.....	125	Verndale.....	Verndale.....	139
Owatonna.....	Star in the East.....	33	Vernon Center.....	Vernon Center.....	228
Park Rapids.....	Shell.....	184	Villard.....	Sincerity.....	161
Paynesville.....	Paynesville.....	71	Virginia.....	Virginia.....	264
Perham.....	Perham.....	157	Wabasha.....	Wapahasa.....	14
Pickwick.....	Pickwick.....	110	Wabasso.....	Wabasso.....	245
Pine Island.....	Mystic Tie.....	37	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	156
Pipestone.....	Quarry.....	148	Walnut Grove.....	Walnut.....	136
Plainview.....	Illustrious.....	63	Warren.....	Warren.....	150
Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	22	Warroad.....	Warroad.....	267
Preston.....	Preston.....	36	Waseca.....	Tuscan.....	77
Princeton.....	Fraternal.....	92	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	50
Raymond.....	Raymond.....	248	Waterville.....	Sakatah.....	32
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	Wayzata.....	Wayzata.....	205
Redwood Falls.....	Antiquity.....	91	Wells.....	Doric.....	87
Renville.....	Renville.....	195	Westbrook.....	Onyx.....	266
Robbinsdale.....	Compass.....	265	West Concord.....	Washington.....	38
Rochester.....	Rochester.....	21	West Duluth.....	Euclid.....	198
Roseau.....	Roseau.....	268	Wheaton.....	Traverse.....	189
Rockford.....	Star.....	62	White Bear.....	Garnet.....	166
Royalton.....	Anchor.....	178	Willmar.....	Sharon.....	104
Rush City.....	Jasper.....	164	Windom.....	Prudence.....	97
Rushford.....	Mystic Star.....	69	Winnebago City.....	Blue Earth Valley	27
Russell.....	Coteau.....	244	Winona.....	Winona.....	18
Ruthton.....	Ruthton.....	242	Winthrop.....	Sibley.....	209
Sanborn.....	Fides.....	246	Wood Lake.....	Florence.....	216
Sandstone.....	Sandstone.....	234	Worthington.....	Fraternity.....	101
Sauk Centre.....	Star in the West.....	60	Young America.....	Humboldt.....	132
Sauk Rapids.....	Unity.....	93	Zumbrota.....	Hermon.....	41
Shakopee.....	King Solomon.....	44			

DEATHS IN 1908.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
St. Johns.....	1	Ed. M. Conrad.....	Apr. 10, 1908
		Tisdal E. Fellows.....	Feb. 1, 1908
		Geo. W. Heltz.....	May 28, 1908
		Robt. Kendall.....	Feb. 11, 1908
Cataract.....	2	E. S. Brockway.....	Mar. 10, 1908
		G. A. Cool.....	July 23, 1908
		A. H. Gibbon.....	Sept. 10, 1908
		Jos. Hawes.....	May 29, 1908
		P. H. Hughes.....	Nov. 18, 1908
		Wm. Laird.....	Oct. 21, 1908
		E. E. McDermott.....	Feb. 27, 1908
		R. S. Rogers.....	Apr. 15, 1908
		Walter Scott.....	June 20, 1908
		O. T. Swett.....	Feb. 19, 1908
		S. W. Turner.....	Oct. 20, 1908
		L. D. Walters.....	Dec. 10, 1908
St. Paul.....	3	John W. Groves.....	Feb. 1, 1908
		Wm. W. Lorimer.....	May 5, 1908
		Peter Schollert.....	Sept. 4, 1908
Hennepin.....	4	Charles V. Lang.....	June 27, 1908
		Anton H. Opsahl.....	Mar. 15, 1908
		Robert Pratt.....	Aug. 7, 1908
		Samuel Rothschild.....	May 20, 1908
		Fred C. Weinhold.....	Apr. 25, 1908
Ancient Landmark.....	5	George Benz.....	Jan. 10, 1908
		Ramah Cole.....	Dec. 24, 1908
		Wm. D. Cornish.....	Nov. 17, 1908
		Wm. H. Cran.....	Oct. 5, 1908
		Wm. F. Grube.....	Jan. 5, 1908
		Lawrence Hope.....	Mar. 17, 1908
		Fred W. Luley.....	Nov. 23, 1908
		John Mailer.....	Dec. 10, 1908
		Wm. F. Mason.....	May 3, 1908
		Evan Miles.....	May 24, 1908
		Robert Palmer.....	Apr. 18, 1908
		Joseph Pierson.....	May 11, 1908
		John Y. Reeve.....	Sept. 13, 1908
		Frank J. Tourtelott.....	May 27, 1908
Dakota.....	7	George Egbert.....	Aug. 22, 1908
		Samuel W. Greiner.....	Oct. 13, 1908
Red Wing.....	8	Silas B. Foot.....	May 22, 1908
		C. E. Harrison.....	Mar. 21, 1908
		Stewart M. Hazlett.....	Sept. 18, 1908
Faribault.....	9	Geo. W. Damp.....	Nov. 28, 1908
		E. B. Dickinson.....	May 18, 1908
		Albert Henry Hatch.....	Dec. 11, 1908
Mantorville.....	11	Alva A. Crampton.....	Jan. 5, 1908
		I. A. Norton.....	Jan. 29, 1908
Monticello.....	16	Fred C. Chilson.....	Feb. 24, 1908
		Henry Kreis.....	May 25, 1908
		James C. Tarbox.....	July 27, 1908
Winona.....	18	Aaron Fox.....	April 23, 1908
		Clark A. Fuller.....	Nov. 24, 1908
		Charles R. Knapp.....	Sept. 27, 1908
		James B. McGaughey.....	Feb. 24, 1908
		Amasa Sinclair.....	Dec. 25, 1908
Minneapolis.....	19	A. M. Anson.....	Jan. 8, 1908
		Thos. Blenkhorn.....	Jan. 31, 1908
		C. B. Brooks.....	April 5, 1908
		A. D. Cheney.....	July 2, 1908
		Isaac N. Craig.....	Sept. 8, 1908
		William Dorrian.....	Nov. 2, 1907
		William Downing.....	Oct. 22, 1908
		Geo. C. Farnham.....	Mar. 20, 1908
		Chas. H. Fowler.....	Mar. 7, 1908
		J. L. Gable.....	Aug. 21, 1908
		P. D. Irons.....	Nov. 27, 1908
		Matthew Jarvie.....	Oct. 7, 1908
		Wm. L. Lackey.....	Oct. 7, 1908

DEATHS IN 1908—Continued.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Minneapolis—Continued.	19	A. N. Lambert	June 24, 1908
		Henry J. Lewis	Jan. 7, 1908
		L. A. McIvor	Apr. 21, 1907
		George Rust	June 15, 1908
		John A. Schlener	Nov. 5, 1908
		Peter B. Smith	Aug. 16, 1907
		John B. Sutphin	July 25, 1908
		James O. Wells	Aug. 26, 1903
		J. L. Wenger	July 29, 1908
Caledonia	20	Daniel Haines	May 5, 1908
		C. E. Lyman	Oct. 30, 1908
		Del. G. Sprague	June 17, 1908
Rochester	21	Thomas L. Fishback	Jan. 30, 1903
		Joseph A. Leonard	Dec. 12, 1908
North Star	23	Chas. A. Seagle	Sept. 4, 1908
Blue Earth Valley	27	Thos. Blair	July 9, 1903
		John P. Humes	Mar. 8, 1903
Clearwater	28	Frank L. Clark	Feb. 2, 1903
		Edgar White	Dec. 10, 1908
Morning Star	29	Charles Luther	Nov. 23, 1908
Anoka	30	Wilmot D. Brummer	Aug. 25, 1908
		Joseph S. Hall	Nov. 29, 1903
		Charles H. Page	Nov. 4, 1908
		Joseph Stewart	Dec. 9, 1908
		Edwin L. Thurston	June 26, 1908
		Charles H. Vevea	Nov. 21, 1908
		Charles T. Woodbury	May 29, 1908
Star in the East	33	Thos. J. Howe	Oct. 27, 1908
		David B. Johnson	Dec. 17, 1908
		Jacob Newsalt	Jan. 7, 1908
		Geo. W. Shaw	Nov. 13, 1908
		A. A. Snell	May 29, 1903
Oriental	34	William Daniels	Feb. 23, 1908
Preston	36	William A. Miller	Nov. 14, 1908
Washington	38	George Stephenson	April 21, 1908
Fidelity	39	J. W. C. Dinsmoor	Dec. 6, 1908
		Jas. N. Hay	Mar. 17, 1908
		Amos H. Hill	Dec. 24, 1908
		Herman N. Lane	Nov. 20, 1908
		William Van Loan	June 21, 1908
Carnelian	40	H. K. Terrell	Sept. 22, 1908
Hope	42	Henry Hopps	April 30, 1908
Harmony	43	B. S. Blanchard	Jan. 29, 1908
Union	45	Henry Denzer	Dec. 14, 1908
		Evan T. Jones	 1907
Concord	47	Alexander Bassout	May 22, 1908
Social	48	F. A. Noble	Aug. 23, 1908
		John Sitze	Nov. 15, 1908
Rising Sun	49	Geo. W. Ellsbury	Jan. 3, 1908
		S. C. McElhany	Mar. 10, 1908
Nicollet	54	Nathl. B. Lampman	Mar. 16, 1908
		Isaac A. Norwood	Oct. 4, 1908
		Herman Sporing	Oct. 12, 1908
Zion	55	Henry Kattenberg	May 8, 1908
Meridian	56	D. S. Barnes	Jan. 8, 1908
		C. G. Hassett	Oct. 6, 1908
		C. J. Robinson	May 4, 1908
Blue Earth City	57	Martin V. Carpenter	Oct. 5, 1908
		R. W. Teeter	Jan. 24, 1908
		W. H. Vandewater	Aug. 29, 1908
Star in the West	60	J. F. Hamilton	Jan. 11, 1902
		William Hendry	July 6, 1908
		Edward L. Wright	June 28, 1908
Ashler	61	John Bush	May 6, 1908
		E. H. Dewey	May 30, 1908
Illustrious	63	Levi Sexton	Sept. 9, 1908
		Hugh P. Willson	Jan. 3, 1908
Chain Lake	64	William Bird	June 29, 1908
		George Blenes	Oct. 14, 1908

DEATHS IN 1908—Continued.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Chain Lake—Continued.....	64	A. L. M. Decker.....	Aug. 23, 1908
Corinthian.....	67	John B. Kelly.....	Oct. 12, 1908
Paynesville.....	71	Hugh Blakely.....	Jan. 1, 1908
		John W. Darby.....	Feb. 2, 1908
		William Wolfe.....	Mar. 5, 1908
Lansing.....	72	Benj. M. Carl.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Eureka.....	75	Thomas V. Stilwell.....	
Mystic Circle.....	78	Henry W. Abrahamson.....	Dec. 6, 1908
Palestine.....	79	Samuel R. Chamberlin.....	Dec. 1, 1908
		Edward E. Collins.....	Nov. 20, 1908
		Charles J. Dahl.....	Feb. 12, 1908
		Henry S. Ely.....	Nov. 22, 1908
		Louis W. Griggs.....	July 5, 1908
		Angus R. Macfarlane.....	Dec. 7, 1908
		John T. Russell.....	April 16, 1908
Constellation.....	81	Swen John Holmberg.....	Aug. 4, 1908
		Frank Kent.....	Sept. 13, 1908
Huram Abi.....	83	Gersham B. Ward.....	Dec. 13, 1908
Tyrian.....	86	E. L. Wentworth.....	May 29, 1908
		Joseph J. Cliff.....	Aug. 31, 1908
		E. L. Ford.....	June 4, 1908
		Orton Ford.....	Jan. 15, 1908
		John McClelland.....	Feb. 14, 1908
Doric.....	87	Emery Cole.....	Aug. 6, 1908
Golden Fleece.....	89	Enoch A. Baum.....	Jan. 30, 1908
Good Faith.....	90	John K. Brown.....	April 16, 1908
Antiquity.....	91	O. L. Draper.....	Mar. 20, 1908
		William Mitchell.....	Oct. 30, 1908
Fraternal.....	92	Smith N. Soule.....	May 31, 1908
		Andrew Umbelocker.....	Feb. 24, 1908
Unity.....	93	A. C. Johnson.....	Sept. 26, 1908
Keystone.....	94	Isaac Gallagher.....	July 19, 1908
Sherburne.....	95	Edgar B. Vail.....	
Prudence.....	97	William W. Zuel.....	April 6, 1908
Charity.....	98	Carl A. Hagberg.....	Feb. 22, 1908
Corner Stone.....	99	James Compton.....	Jan. 15, 1908
		Geo. F. Cowing.....	Sept. 16, 1908
Fraternity.....	101	E. L. Wemple.....	Aug. 1, 1908
Lebanon.....	102	J. O. Blekre.....	Jan. 1, 1908
Sharon.....	104	Chas. N. Oram.....	June 6, 1908
Mt. Tabor.....	106	James Strachan.....	Aug. 9, 1908
Relief.....	108	John Brown.....	July 8, 1908
		John Gill.....	Feb. 7, 1908
		Samuel P. Kinney.....	Dec. 14, 1908
Khurum.....	112	Charles E. Bond.....	Dec. 21, 1908
		William Buckham.....	April 24, 1908
		William L. Daniels.....	Nov. 6, 1908
		John Dunnett.....	April 25, 1908
		Willis J. Jennison.....	June 11, 1908
		George W. Kehoe.....	April 21, 1908
		Edward J. McMahon.....	May 9, 1908
Lafayette.....	116	Andrew J. Lilligraven.....	June 20, 1908
Newport.....	118	Levi Bailey.....	Nov. 26, 1908
Kellogg.....	122	Edward Dowling.....	July 18, 1908
Moorhead.....	126	Robert Tuffs.....	May 16, 1908
Alma.....	131	Jacob S. Bowers.....	May 20, 1908
Humboldt.....	132	Francis Hassenstal.....	April 29, 1908
Golden Sheaf.....	133	Loren E. Pearce.....	Dec. 1, 1908
Nelson.....	135	George R. Covart.....	March 6, 1908
		Silas A. Putnam.....	Oct. 13, 1908
Appleton.....	137	Bradley P. Cheney.....	Mar. 25, 1908
		Andrew L. Sloss.....	Jan. 25, 1908
Orion.....	138	Peter Bogle.....	June 13, 1908
Little Falls.....	140	F. G. Eix.....	Dec. 11, 1908
		W. M. Fuller.....	Oct. 30, 1908
Crookston.....	141	John Cromb.....	Dec. 10, 1908
		John McLean.....	Nov. 18, 1908
		David Vannet.....	Dec. 31, 1907
Lake View.....	143	Jonathan Sparrow.....	Mar. 12, 1908

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Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Canby.....	147	Otis S. Hutchinson.....	May 8, 1908
Quarry.....	148	Newton K. Landru.....	Dec. 6, 1908
		L. Backstrom.....	1907
Kodahya.....	153	Herbert A. P. Loomis.....	1901
Tracy.....	155	Edward R. Marshall.....	Oct. 29, 1908
		Myron D. Gibbs.....	April 8, 1908
Long Prairie.....	159	John Lloyd.....	May 15, 1908
		Wm. E. Barber.....	Oct. 29, 1908
Plymouth.....	160	Eben J. Leavitt.....	Feb. 18, 1908
		John H. Crait.....	Jan. 27, 1908
		Fritz Friedrichs.....	Feb. 19, 1908
		John G. Tefts.....	July 20, 1908
		John G. Lund.....	Sept. 5, 1908
Sincerity.....	161	William H. Mills.....	Dec. 12, 1908
Summit.....	163	Robert T. Walker.....	June 10, 1908
		J. B. Chaney.....	June 11, 1908
		George P. Irvin.....	Dec. 7, 1908
		Alex. F. Noble.....	Jan. 8, 1908
		T. R. Palmer.....	Dec. 3, 1908
		F. E. Rice.....	April 2, 1908
		J. E. Shadle.....	May 29, 1908
Jasper.....	164	J. W. Smith.....	Dec. 15, 1908
		C. M. Devons.....	May 15, 1908
Minnehaha.....	165	Jno. Benj. Martell.....	Oct. 26, 1908
		Nels A. Matson.....	June 28, 1908
Garnet.....	166	Andrew J. Palmer.....	April 15, 1908
		Daniel Ivett.....	Dec. 4, 1908
		William Leip.....	Oct. 2, 1908
Agate.....	167	William Sandtrock.....	Mar. 26, 1908
		G. P. Lund.....	Mar. 27, 1908
Braden.....	168	John H. Stoffel.....	Nov. 18, 1908
		George Brookins.....	April 16, 1908
Pierson.....	169	Frank L. Morgan.....	Dec. 26, 1908
Fulda.....	170	David Edw. Weden.....	Dec. 12, 1906
Shekinah.....	171	John M. Dickson.....	Jan. 29, 1908
		Arthur Camden.....	June 3, 1908
		William Cuff.....	May 31, 1908
Plumb Line.....	173	Emil H. Koerner.....	April 14, 1908
		Ben Apfeldt.....	1908
Roman Eagle.....	175	Joseph Langwell.....	Aug. 28, 1908
Ark.....	176	Chas. W. Sipes.....	Dec. 22, 1908
		Ralph I. Johnson.....	July 8, 1908
Anchor.....	178	Egbert A. Jones.....	Mar. 28, 1908
Dalles.....	181	Francis S. Flint.....	Oct. 23, 1908
Shell.....	184	Wm. P. Allen.....	Aug. 25, 1908
Midway.....	185	B. C. Barrett.....	Mar. 17, 1908
		Wesley C. Perrin.....	April 29, 1908
Ionic.....	186	Walter S. Reed.....	Jan. 23, 1908
		Edgar L. Emmons.....	Sept. 21, 1908
		William A. Pitcher.....	May 4, 1908
Arcana.....	187	Stephen T. Welch.....	Oct. 6, 1908
		Wilmot S. Dayton.....	May 19, 1908
		Chester M. Kinnmore.....	July 10, 1908
		Samuel R. Kirkham.....	April 5, 1908
		Dougal McCallum.....	Nov. 18, 1908
		George Russell.....	April 17, 1908
Traverse.....	189	Charles H. Colyer.....	July 28, 1908
Crow River.....	192	Andrew E. Erickson.....	May 24, 1908
Geneva.....	196	Amund Hegna.....	June 1, 1908
Vermillion.....	197	Elisha Morcom.....	Nov. 21, 1908
Zenith.....	200	Edward S. Beaman.....	.....
Stewartville.....	203	C. E. Waller.....	July 17, 1908
Wayzata.....	205	Everett B. Sanders.....	Jan. 18, 1908
Crescent.....	207	Charles Liscum.....	Dec. 22, 1907
Itasca.....	208	Lafayette F. Knox.....	Jan. 4, 1908
		William McGann.....	1908
Evansville.....	214	C. M. Borgen.....	Oct. 28, 1908
Florence.....	216	Allwred B. Smith.....	Feb.....1908
Capital City.....	217	Samuel E. Leonard.....	Dec. 11, 1908

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Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Olivia.....	220	Newton L. Headline.....	Dec. 30, 1908
Minnesota.....	224	J. C. Bowden.....	Dec. 28, 1908
		Allen Underwood.....	Oct. 25, 1908
Justice.....	225	T. J. Dickson.....	July 31, 1908
Magnolia.....	231	H. H. Jenkins.....	Sept. 7, 1908
		Thompson Records.....	April 30, 1908
Sandstone.....	234	Gustav Adolph Kunck.....	Dec. 15, 1908
Northern.....	236	L. G. Browning.....	Nov. 11, 1908
		C. F. Umbreit.....	Mar. 10, 1908
Albert Pike.....	237	Ernest A. Close.....	Mar. 29, 1908
		Henry F. G. Haas.....	Feb. 3, 1908
Eveleth.....	239	Edward Skeel.....	April 12, 1908
Frazee.....	241	A. H. Wilcox.....	June 29, 1908
Cass.....	243	Allan G. Bernard.....	Dec. 7, 1908
		Patrick A. Walsh.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Coteau.....	244	George S. Willard.....	.....
Barto.....	249	William Rucker.....	April 28, 1908
Lakefield.....	250	William I. Alcott.....	April 23, 1908
		Chas. M. Gage.....	July 19, 1908
		Daniel L. Riley.....	Dec. 14, 1908
Morton.....	252	T. Ambuhl.....	April 1, 1908
Mesaba.....	255	A. O. Beardsley.....	Mar. 10, 1908
		Mathew Trewhella.....	Oct. 1, 1908
Montgomery.....	258	Neal M. Fetridge.....	May 1, 1908
Berry.....	259	Albert L. Cole.....	Mar. 5, 1908
		John T. Rogers.....	Feb. 27, 1908

In Memoriam.

Past Grand Masters of Other Jurisdictions.

Name.	Jurisdiction.	Date of Death.
John Gideon Harris.....	Alabama	July 7, 1908
John Henry Barlow.....	Connecticut	June 16, 1908
Dwight Waugh	Connecticut	Feb. 20, 1908
William E. Anderson.....	Florida	Nov. 12, 1908
Martin H. Rice.....	Indiana	Aug. 3, 1908
Thomas Robinson	Manitoba	Aug. 11, 1908
W. Irving Babcock.....	Michigan	Mar. 31, 1908
Matthew H. Maynard.....	Michigan	Dec. 27, 1907
Hugh McCurdy	Michigan	July 16, 1908
William Burr Childers.....	New Mexico ..	Mar. 3, 1908
Elias Elwell Day.....	New Mexico ..	May 31, 1908
William A. Sutherland.....	New York	Mar. 11, 1908
Fabius Haywood Busbee....	North Carolina	Aug. 28, 1908
Robert M. Carothers.....	North Dakota.	Feb. 4, 1908
John F. Selby.....	North Dakota.	Jan. 8, 1908
John R. Bellinger.....	South Carolina	Aug. 27, 1908
John Thomas Irion.....	Tennessee	Aug. 9, 1908
Henry Byron Baguley.....	West Virginia	May 1, 1908
Eli Marsh Turner.....	West Virginia	Mar. 1, 1908

Other Distinguished Brethren.

Loyal L. Munn, Past Grand Secretary, Illinois, Died
Nov. 23, 1908.

Edwin Wheelock, Grand Chaplain, Vermont, Died Dec.
18, 1907.

District Deputy Grand Masters.

To all whom it may concern, greeting:

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

PETER SHARPE (154) ADA, D. D. G. M.

Crookston, No. 141.....Crookston
Warren, No. 150.....Warren
Norman, No. 154.....Ada
Hallock, No. 212.....Hallock
Argyle, No. 215.....Argyle
Alpha, No. 230.....Hendrum

Bemidji, No. 233.....Bemidji
Northern, No. 236.....Thief River Falls
Cass, No. 243.....Cass Lake
Warroad, No. 267.....Warroad
Roseau, No. 268.....Roseau
Osiris, No. 272.....Spoonerville

SECOND DISTRICT.

WM. G. CAMERON (207) STAPLES, D. D. G. M.

Aurora, No. 100.....Brainerd
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....Detroit
Verndale, No. 139.....Verndale
Wadena, No. 156.....Wadena
Perham, No. 157.....Perham

Shell, No. 184.....Park Rapids
Crescent, No. 207.....Staples
Mystic, No. 213.....Aitkin
Frazee, No. 241.....Frazee
Berry, No. 259.....Akeley

THIRD DISTRICT.

JAMES A. ROBINSON (255) HIBBING, D. D. G. M.

Palestine, No. 79.....Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....Cloquet
Ionic, No. 186.....Duluth
Fortitude, No. 188.....Two Harbors
Vermillion, No. 197.....Tower
Euclid, No. 198.....West Duluth
Itasca, No. 208.....Grand Rapids

Eveleth, No. 239.....Eveleth
Mesaba, No. 255.....Hibbing
Virginia, No. 264.....Virginia
Koochiching, No. 270.....
International Falls
Canisteo, No. 271.....Coleraine

FOURTH DISTRICT.

J. PIERCE WOLFE (126) MOORHEAD, D. D. G. M.

Corner Stone, No. 99.....Fergus Falls
Moorhead, No. 126.....Moorhead
Frontier, No. 152.....Breckenridge
Agate, No. 167.....Campbell
Pierson, No. 169.....Barnesville

Evansville, No. 214.....Evansville
Park Region, No. 227.....Elbow Lake
Lake Park, No. 254.....Lake Park
Hawley, No. 256.....Hawley

FIFTH DISTRICT.

KNUT SWORE (180) OSAKIS, D. D. G. M.

Star in the West, No. 60	Sauk Centre	Sincerity, No. 161	Villard
Constellation, No. 81	Alexandria	Valley, No. 174	Glenwood
Melrose, No. 145	Melrose	Osakis, No. 180	Osakis
Long Prairie, No. 159	Long Prairie	Eagle Bend, No. 269	Eagle Bend

SIXTH DISTRICT.

A. H. LEIMBACHER (23) ST. CLOUD, D. D. G. M.

Monticello, No. 16	Monticello	Unity, No. 93	Sauk Rapids
North Star, No. 23	St. Cloud	Little Falls, No. 140	Little Falls
Clear Water, No. 28	Clear Water	Anchor, No. 178	Royalton

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

T. L. ARMITAGE (92) PRINCETON, D. D. G. M.

Anoka, No. 30	Anoka	Mora, No. 223	Mora
Fraternal, No. 92	Princeton	Lincoln, No. 226	Milaca
Sherburne, No. 95	Elk River	Sandstone, No. 234	Sandstone

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

COOPER FULTON (166) WHITE BEAR, D. D. G. M.

St. Johns, No. 1	Stillwater	Garnet, No. 166	White Bear
Zion, No. 55	Taylor Falls	Chisago, No. 232	North Branch
Jasper, No. 164	Rush City	Fellowship, No. 257	North St. Paul

NINTH DISTRICT.

P. S. RUDOLPH (182) ANNANDALE, D. D. G. M.

Star, No. 62	Rockford	Plumb Line, No. 173	Kimball
Paynesville, No. 71	Paynesville	Fair Haven, No. 182	Annandale
Nelson, No. 135	Buffalo	Crow River, No. 192	Belgrade

TENTH DISTRICT.

RUSSELL SPICER (104) WILLMAR, D. D. G. M.

Sharon, No. 104	Willmar	Prescott, No. 162	Herman
Swift, No. 129	Benson	Mt. Hermon, No. 219	Hanover
Golden Sheaf, No. 133	Morris	Raymond, No. 248	Raymond

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

H. D. GARMAN (82) HOWARD LAKE, D. D. G. M.

Watertown, No. 50	Watertown	Cokato, No. 134	Cokato
Howard, No. 82	Howard Lake	Orion, No. 138	Atwater
Golden Fleece, No. 89	Litchfield	Griswold, No. 218	Dassel

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

S. B. WASHBURN (112) MINNEAPOLIS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hennepin, No. 4.....	Minneapolis	Wayzata, No. 205.....	Wayzata
Minneapolis, No. 19.....	Minneapolis	Minnesota, No. 224.....	Minneapolis
Khurum, No. 112.....	Minneapolis	Albert Pike, No. 237.....	Hopkins
Excelsior, No. 113.....	Excelsior		

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

E. OWENS (125) OSSEO, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Cataract, No. 2.....	Minneapolis	Ark, No. 176.....	Minneapolis
Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....	Osseo	Arcana, No. 187.....	Minneapolis
Plymouth, No. 160.....	Minneapolis	Compass, No. 265.....	Robbinsdale
Minnehaha, No. 165.....	Minneapolis		

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. E. JOHNSON (7) HASTINGS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

St. Paul, No. 3.....	St. Paul	Newport, No. 118.....	Newport
Ancient Landmark, No. 5.....	St. Paul	Braden, No. 168.....	St. Paul
Dakota, No. 7.....	Hastings	Montgomery, No. 258.....	St. Paul
Acacia, No. 51.....	Cottage Grove		

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

O. H. TURNER (263) ST. PAUL, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Summit, No. 163.....	St. Paul	Mizpah, No. 191.....	South St. Paul
Shekinah, No. 171.....	St. Paul	Capital City, No. 217.....	St. Paul
Midway, No. 185.....	St. Paul	Tusler, No. 263.....	St. Paul
Triune, No. 190.....	St. Paul		

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

JAMES E. DEAN (211) GRACEVILLE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Appleton, No. 137.....	Appleton	Traverse, No. 189.....	Wheaton
Lakeview, No. 143.....	Ortonville	Friendship, No. 211.....	Graceville
Kodahya, No. 153.....	Browns Valley		

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

F. J. CRESSY (117) GRANITE FALLS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sunset, No. 109.....	Montevideo	Hector, No. 158.....	Hector
Granite, No. 117.....	Granite Falls	Renville, No. 195.....	Renville
Bird Island, No. 144.....	Bird Island	Olivia, No. 220.....	Olivia

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

O. W. LUNSTEN (240) HUTCHINSON, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hope, No. 42.....	Glencoe	Guardian, No. 149.....	Brownston
Temple, No. 59.....	Hutchinson	Chaska, No. 151.....	Chaska
Carver, No. 111.....	Carver	Stewart, No. 229.....	Stewart
Humboldt, No. 132....	Young America	Astra, No. 240.....	Lester Prairie

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

FRANK RANSOM (54) ST. PETER, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

King Hiram, No. 31.....Jordan
 King Solomon, No. 44.....Shakopee
 Union, No. 45.....Le Sueur
 Concord, No. 47.....Cleveland

Nicollet, No. 54.....St. Peter
 Henderson, No. 80.....Henderson
 Rough Ashlar, No. 177....Belle Plaine

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

C. W. HEIMANN (261) FAIRFAX, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

Antiquity, No. 91.....Redwood Falls
 Marietta, No. 172.....Marietta
 Geneva, No. 196.....Madison
 Atelier, No. 202.....Dawson
 Sibley, No. 209.....Winthrop

Florence, No. 216.....Wood Lake
 Barto, No. 249.....Echo
 Morton, No. 252.....Morton
 Fairfax, No. 261.....Fairfax

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

E. H. ARGETSINGER (148) PIPESTONE, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

Delta, No. 119.....Marshall
 Benton, No. 146.....Lake Benton
 Canby, No. 147.....Canby
 Quarry, No. 148.....Pipestone
 St. Elmo, No. 204.....Jasper
 Equity, No. 221.....Cottonwood

Equality, No. 238.....Minneota
 Ruthton, No. 242.....Ruthton
 Coteau, No. 244.....Russell
 Morality, No. 247.....Hendricks
 McKinley, No. 251.....Tyler

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

F. W. DAMP (136) WALNUT GROVE, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

Keystone, No. 94.....Sleepy Eye
 Charity, No. 98.....New Ulm
 Walnut, No. 136.....Walnut Grove
 Tracy, No. 155.....Tracy

Zenith, No. 200.....Springfield
 Justice, No. 225.....Lamberton
 Wabasso, No. 245.....Wabasso
 Fides, No. 246.....Sanborn

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

C. J. MARTIN (114) LUVERNE, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

Prudence, No. 79.....Windom
 Fraternity, No. 101.....Worthington
 Ben Franklin, No. 114.....Luverne
 Currie, No. 142.....Currie
 Fulda, No. 170.....Fulda
 Roman Eagle, No. 175.....Adrian

Murray, No. 199.....Slayton
 Columbian, No. 210.....Heron Lake
 Edgerton, No. 235.....Edgerton
 Lake Wilson, No. 262.....Lake Wilson
 Onyx, No. 266.....Westbrook

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

E. P. RUTAN (12) MANKATO, D.'. D.'. G.'. M.'.

Mankato, No. 12.....Mankato
 Madelia, No. 66.....Madelia
 Joppa, No. 76.....Good Thunder
 Libanus, No. 96.....St. James

Bethel, No. 103.....Lake Crystal
 Josephus, No. 128.....Mapleton
 Amboy, No. 193.....Amboy
 Vernon Center, No. 228 Vernon Center

 TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

J. N. NICHOLSON (57) BLUE EARTH, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Blue Earth Valley, No. 27.....Win. City
 Blue Earth City, No. 57.....Blue Earth
 Chain Lake, No. 64.....Fairmont
 Doric, No. 87.....Wells
 Good Faith, No. 90.....Jackson

 King David, No. 179.....Elmore
 Magnolia, No. 231.....Sherburne
 Lakefield, No. 250.....Lakefield
 Truth, No. 260.....Bricelyn

 TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

F. W. SCOFIELD (34) CANNON FALLS, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Faribault, No. 9.....Faribault
 Sakatah, No. 32.....Waterville
 Oriental, No. 34.....Cannon Falls
 Social, No. 48.....Northfield

 Cannon River, No. 52.....Morristown
 Corinthian, No. 67.....Farmington
 Elysian, No. 222.....Elysian

 TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

C. W. BURDICK (33) OWATONNA, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Wilton, No. 24.....Alma City
 Western Star, No. 26.....Albert Lea
 Star in the East, No. 33.....Owatonna

 Tuscan, No. 77.....Waseca
 Janesville, No. 124.....Janesville

 TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

A. J. MCDUGAL (37) PINE ISLAND, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Red Wing, No. 8.....Red Wing
 Wapahasa, No. 14.....Wabasha
 Mystic Tie, No. 37.....Pine Island
 Carnelian, No. 40.....Lake City

 Hermon, No. 41.....Zumbrota
 Tyrian, No. 86.....Mazeppa
 Kellogg, No. 122.....Kellogg

 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

GUS CRAIL (108) DODGE CENTER, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Mantorville, No. 11.....Mantorville
 Rochester, No. 21.....Rochester
 Washington, No. 38.....West Concord

 Hiram Abi, No. 83.....Kasson
 Relief, No. 108.....Dodge Center
 Kenyon, No. 201.....Kenyon

 THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

JOHN DRUEY (49) ST. CHARLES, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Harmony, No. 43.....Lewiston
 Evergreen, No. 46.....Clyde
 Rising Sun, No. 49.....St. Charles
 Meridian, No. 56.....Chatfield

 Ashler, No. 61.....Eyota
 Illustrious, No. 63.....Plainview
 Elgin, No. 115.....Elgin

 THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

J. N. THATCHER (116) BROWNSDALE, D'. D'. G'. M'.

 Fidelity, No. 39.....Austin
 Lansing, No. 72.....Lansing
 Lafayette, No. 116.....Brownsdale

 Prairie, No. 123.....Blooming Prairie
 Alma, No. 131.....Lyle

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

C. L. DENNY (22) STEWARTVILLE, D.°. D.°. G.°. M.°.

Pleasant Grove, No. 22.....Pleasant Grove	Grand Meadow, No. 121 Grand Meadow
Spring Valley, No. 58...Spring Valley	Stewartville, No. 203.....Stewartville
Eureka, No. 75.....Le Roy	Dexter, No. 253.....Dexter
High Forest, No. 85.....High Forest	

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

A. G. OLSON (36) PRESTON, D.°. D.°. G.°. M.°.

Preston, No. 36.....Preston	Orient, No. 84.....Money Creek
Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford	Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro
Mystic Circle, No. 78.....Houston	Canton, No. 194.....Canton

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

F. R. SINCLAIR (110) LAMOILLE, D.°. D.°. G.°. M.°.

Winona, No. 18.....Winona	Morning Star, No. 29....La Crescent
Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia	Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A.°. F.°. & A.°. M.°. of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated the 17th day of February, A. D. 1909, A.°. L.°. 5909.

EUGENE E. SWAN,

Grand Master.

ATTEST:

JOHN FISHEL,

Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX K.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

TO			FROM	
Name	Residence	State	Name	Residence
Angus M. Scott	Headland	Alabama	A. Brandenburg	Fergus Falls
A. E. Jamieson	Edmonton	Alberta	E. P. Dotson	Sanborn
Andrew E. Douglass	Flagstaff	Arizona	W. C. Masterman	Stillwater
S. T. Rowe	Greenwood	Arkansas	Sheldon L. Frazer	Duluth
Albert Kruger	Antwerp	Belgium	A. Brandenburg	Fergus Falls
Chas. E. Tisdall	Vancouver	Brit. Columbia	Wm. A. Nolan	Gr'd Meadow
A. A. Stevenson	Montreal	Canada	E. W. Durant	Stillwater
Henry M. Teller	Central City	Colorado	F. L. Searing	Mankato
Edmund Tweedy	Danbury	Connecticut	O. M. Henderson	Faribault
Carlos D. Scott	Havana	Cuba	E. E. Swan	Stewart
John Hutton	Wilmington	Delaware	Henry R. Denny	St. Paul
C. W. Hancock	Washington	Dist. Columbia	J. D. Markham	Rush City
J. W. Laurie, M. P.		England	John Fishel	St. Paul
Edmund N. Holt	Gr'n Cove Sp'g	Florida	Wm. P. Roberts	Minneapolis
J. L. Gilmer	Lela	Georgia	Wm. B. Patton	Duluth
Reese Pickering	Genesee	Idaho	Gustaf Widell	Mankato
R. H. Wheeler	Chicago	Illinois	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester
O. W. Brownback	Pendleton	Indiana	Wm. S. Combs	St. Paul
F. H. Nash	Fort Gibson	Indi'n Territory	John M. Rowley	Rochester
Oliver Fry	Dublin	Ireland	C. P. Montgomery	St. Paul
A. M. Jackson	Leavenworth	Kansas	Calvin L. Brown	Morris
L. L. Shwartz	New Orleans	Louisiana	Chas. W. Nash	Marietta, S. D.
John B. Redman	Ellsworth	Maine	Henry R. Adams	Minneapolis
Thos. W. Taylor	Winnipeg	Manitoba	H. C. Shepard	Indianapolis
Chas. C. Homer, Jr.	Baltimore	Maryland	Elmer A. Kling	Little Falls
William Wentz	Manistee	Michigan	A. Brandenburg	Fergus Falls
Chas. R. Pullen	Mexico	Mexico		
W. R. Montgomery	Cornersville	Mississippi	Henry R. Wells	Preston
Howard Watson	St. Louis	Missouri	W. A. McGonagle	Duluth
Theo. Brantly	Helena	Montana	A. D. Countryman	Appleton
Geo. A. Beecher	Kearney	Nebraska	A. G. Pinkham	St. Paul
R. A. Bulmer	Virginia	Nevada	A. Marden	New Ulm
Thos. Walker, M.D.	St. John	New Brunswick	Thos. Morris	Crookston
A. S. Batchelor	Littleton	New Hampshire	John H. Sprout	Blue Earth
Edwin Venable	Long Branch	New Jersey	Day W. Knowlton	Minneapolis
Arthur Boyle	Santa Fe	New Mexico	Chas. G. Hinds	Shakopee
A. J. Scott	Sydney	New S. Wales	H. M. Tusler	St. Paul
Albern W. Williams	New York	New York	Wm. C. Odell	Chaska
Thos. A. Peterkin	Westport	New Zealand	Alex G. McKnight	Duluth
F. D. Winston	Windsor	North Carolina	I. B. B. Sprague	St. Paul
Edward C. Gearey	Fargo	North Dakota	Henry R. Wells	Preston
Louis H. Morse	Digby	Nova Scotia	Jas. G. Houghton	Minneapolis
Ralph R. Rickley	Columbus	Ohio	W. A. McGonagle	Duluth
Wm. M. Anderson	Enid	Oklahoma Ter.	H. W. Hendrickson	Montevideo
G. L. Story	Portland	Oregon	Gid. S. Ives	St. Paul
John D. Bell	Montague	P. Edw'd Island	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester
John P. Noyes	Sweetsburg	Quebec	Edwin H. Foot	Red Wing
J. C. Champlin	Block Island	Rhode Island	Henry R. Adams	Minneapolis
J. F. Bettis	Prince Albert	Saskatchewan	Hugh E. Grant	St. Paul
David Reid	Edinburgh	Scotland	W. Hayes Laird	Winona
Sam'l Henry Good		South Australia	A. D. Countryman	Appleton
J. W. Ardrey	Port Mill	South Carolina	Irving Todd	Hastings
Frank A. Brown	Aberdeen	South Dakota	Henry R. Wells	Preston
M. R. Goans	Loudon	Tennessee	H. M. Tusler	St. Paul
		Texas	Wm. A. Hawkins	Marshall
J. M. Merriott	Salt Lake City	Utah	Henry M. Tusler	St. Paul
Theodore A. Davis	Portland	Vermont	Sam'l E. Adams	Minneapolis
E. Philpott	Geelong	Victoria	Chas. N. Akers	St. Paul
Wm. H. Pleasants	Hollins	Virginia	Edgar Nash	Minneapolis
Joseph A. Kuhn	Pt. Townsend	Washington	Thomas Morris	Crook ton
R. D. McKenzie	Kalgoorlie	W. Australia	W. A. McGonagle	Duluth
John D. Baines	Charleston	West Virginia	Chas. L. West	Austin
W. W. Perry	Milwaukee	Wisconsin	Fenton G. Warner	St. Paul

California, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Wyoming do not exchange.

List of Clandestine Lodges.

To All Secretaries in Minnesota,

BRETHREN :

The Grand Lodge at its last Communication directed me to print a list of Clandestine Lodges and furnish two copies to each subordinate Lodge.

I have written every Grand Secretary in the United States, and append a complete list, so far as I have been able to obtain the same.

There may be, and doubtless are, others; and will be more in future, as the Clandestine Grand Lodges are making strenuous efforts to organize new Lodges.

Many of the Lodges listed are defunct, but as dimits from them might be presented, it is deemed best to retain them in the list.

Please keep one copy of this list in your minute book and post the other in the Tyler's room.

CALIFORNIA.

Bernal, No. 367.....	San Francisco
Golden Star, No. 225.....	San Francisco
Golden Thisel, No. 2.....	San Francisco
Oleta, No. 364.....	San Francisco
Universal, No. 1.....	San Francisco

DELAWARE.

Delaware	Wilmington
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ILLINOIS.

Amalia, No. 377.....	Chicago
Fidelity, No. 218.....	Chicago
Immanuel, No. 357.....	Chicago
Jefferson, No. 217.....	Chicago
Justin, No. 204.....	Chicago

Jerusalem	Chicago
Lafayette, No. 214.....	Chicago
Sloan, No. 730.....	Chicago
Wristy, No. 215.....	Chicago
York, No. 212.....	Chicago

INDIANA.

Human Rights, No. 319.....	Linton
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INDIAN TERRITORY. ..

Human Rights, No. 364.....	Coalgate
(Name and Number Unknown).....	Krebbs

KENTUCKY.

Jefferson, No. 3.....	Covington
King Solomon, No. 1.....	Covington
Washington, No. 2.....	Covington

MAINE.

Kilwinning, No. 318.....	Portland
Pine Tree, No. 313.....	Portland

MARYLAND.

Ashler	Baltimore
St. Johns	Baltimore
(St. Johns, No. 34, Baltimore, is regular.)	

MASSACHUSETTS.

Ancient Landmark, No. 1.....	Boston
Bethlehem .....	.....
Boston, No. 295.....	Boston
Bunker Hill, No. 312.....	Charlestown
Caledonia, No. 15.....	Cambridge
Chelsea, No. 305.....	Chelsea
Commonwealth, No. 298.....	Boston
Constantine, No. 15.....	Cambridge
Dorchester Union, No. 308.....	Dorchester
Harmony, No. 314.....	Brockton

Haverhill, No. 3.....	Haverhill
King Hiram, No. 311.....	Everett
King Solomon, No. 310.....	Brockton
Lincoln	Newton
Lynn	Newton
Massachusetts, No. 269.....	Boston
Mount Lebanon	Malden
Mount Moriah, No. 306.....	Boston
Mount Olive, No. 303.....	Boston
Mount Pleasant, No. 300.....	Dorchester
Mount Zion, No. 299.....	Lynn
Oriental Star	Watertown
Palmyra, No. 2.....	Boston
Puritan, No. 301.....	Swampscott
St. John's, No. 307.....	Dorchester
Somerville, No. 302.....	Somerville
Suffolk, No. 297.....	Boston
Valetta	Allston

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Gentile	Manchester
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NEW YORK.

Atlantide, (by G. Or. France).....	New York
Banner, No. 1.....	New York
Benjamin Franklin.....	New York
Excelsior	New York
Foyer Ardent du Nouvel Orient.....	New York
Hudson	New York
International	New York
McKinley (not William McKinley).....	New York
Ocean	New York
Progressive	New York
Triune	New York

OHIO.

Ahiman, No. 11.....	Newark
Alert, No. 30.....	Cleveland

Alliance, No. 37.....	Alliance
Alpha, No. 27.....	Cleveland
Americus, No. 32.....	Cleveland
Auburndale, No. 24.....	Toledo
Bismarck, No. 385.....	Cincinnati
Brighton, No. 381.....	Cincinnati
Bucyrus, No. 1.....	Bucyrus
Butler, No. 42.....	Butler
Columbia, No. 6.....	Columbus
Crawford, No. 2.....	Bucyrus
Cuyahoga, No. 25.....	Cleveland
Dumah	Springfield
Eureka, No. 379.....	Cincinnati
Franklin, No. 3.....	Columbus
Frederick, No. 40.....	Springfield
Fredericktown, No. 41.....	Fredericktown
Gem City, No. 8.....	Dayton
Globe, No. 22.....	Toledo
Hiram, No. 26.....	Canton
Independence, No. 34.....	Youngstown
Lafayette, No. 21.....	Cleveland
Lessing, No. 18.....	Toledo
Lincoln, No. 23.....	Toledo
Lincoln	Cleveland
Lincoln Goodale, No. 12.....	Columbus
Linton, No. 9.....	Cincinnati
Massillon, No. 31.....	Massillon
Mt. Tabor, No. 20.....	Chillicothe
Mt. Moriah, No. 46.....	Niles
Myrtle, No. 35.....	Mt. Vernon
*New England, No. 4.....	Worthington
Olentangy, No. 5.....	Columbus
Onward, No. 28.....	Cleveland
Painesville, No. 29.....	Painesville

*There is a legitimate Lodge at Worthington named "New England."

Progress, No. 16.....	Cleveland
Salem, No. 14.....	New Salem
Scioto Valley, No. 17.....	Portsmouth
Sparta, No. 43.....	Sparta
Springfield, No. 7.....	Springfield
Summit, No. 36.....	Akron
Surprise, No. 19.....	Olmstead Falls
Victor, No. 33.....	Cleveland
Vinton, No. 33.....	Galloway
Washington, No. 10.....	Cincinnati
*West Mansfield, No. 15.....	West Mansfield

*The spurious Lodge at West Mansfield has ceased to work, and there is a legitimate Lodge there named "West Mansfield No. 588."

OREGON.

Baker, No. 55, (Mixed Negroes and Whites)....Marshfield

PENNSYLVANIA.

Abraham Lincoln, No. 210.....	Philadelphia
Acacia, No. 44.....	McKeesport
Acacia, No. 252.....	Philadelphia
Agora, No. 6.....	Bethlehem
Cerneau Rite	
Christopher Columbus, No. 188.....	Philadelphia
Evergreen Chapter (Rose Croix).....	Philadelphia
Federal	East Mauch Chunk
Golden Shield, No. 69.....	Pittsburg
Grand Orient Espagnol (Spain).....	
Grand Orient of France	
Harmony	Pittsburg
Hiram, No. 250.....	Philadelphia
Jupiter, No. 249.....	Philadelphia
Jerusalem, No. 247.....	Philadelphia
Liberal, No. 9.....	Siegfried

Mt. Carmel, No. 256.....	Philadelphia
Mt. Lebanon, No. 251.....	Philadelphia
Pennsylvania,	Allegheny City
Pilgrim	Allentown
Regional Grand Lodge Universal Masonry.....	
St. John's	Weissport
William McKinley, No. 264.....	Philadelphia
Washington, No. 244.....	Hazleton

RHODE ISLAND.

Edwin Baker, No. 304.....	Providence
Eureka, No. 309.....	Providence

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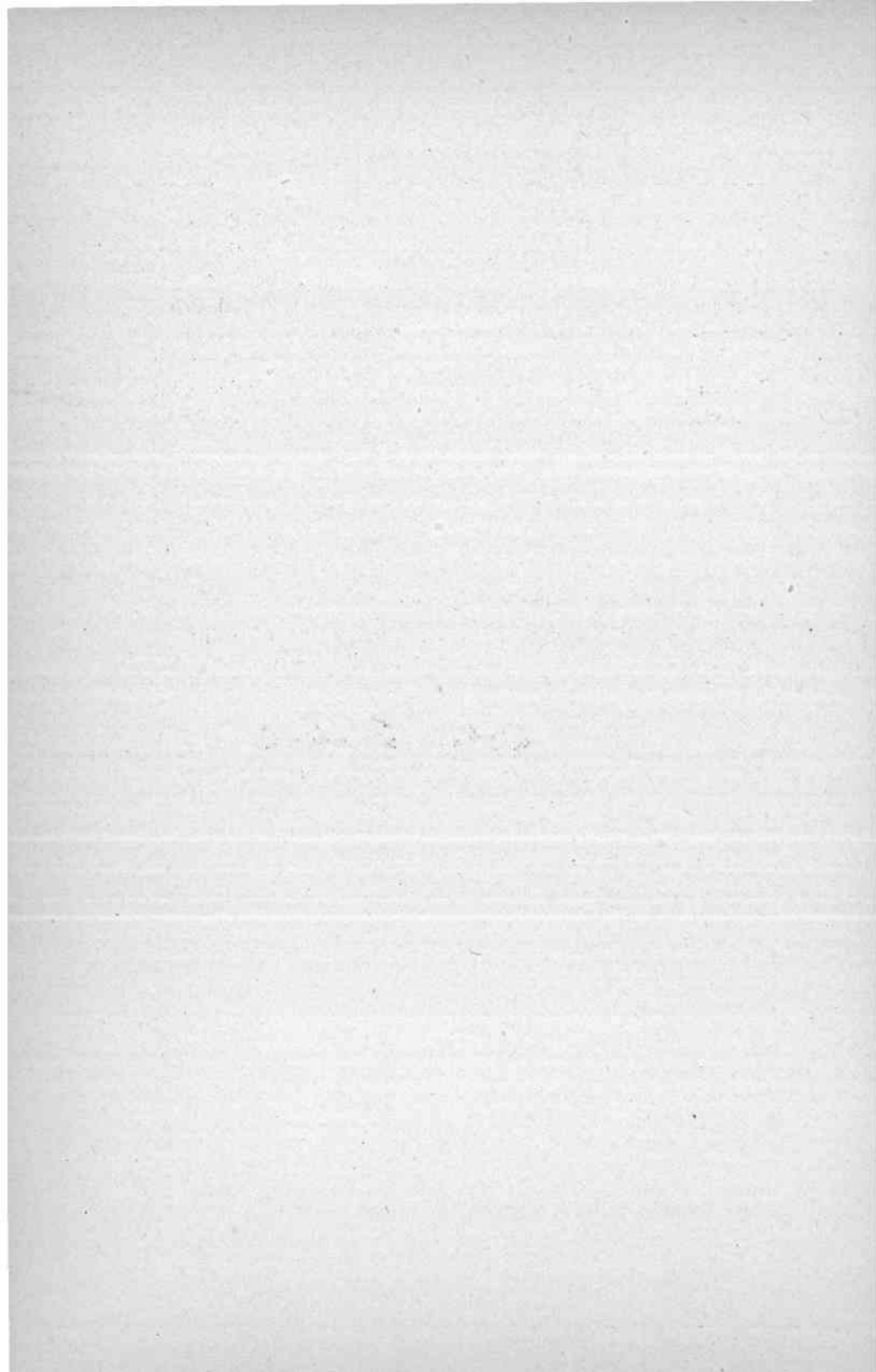
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N. B.—Negro Lodges are not included in the above list.

Fraternally yours,

John Finkel

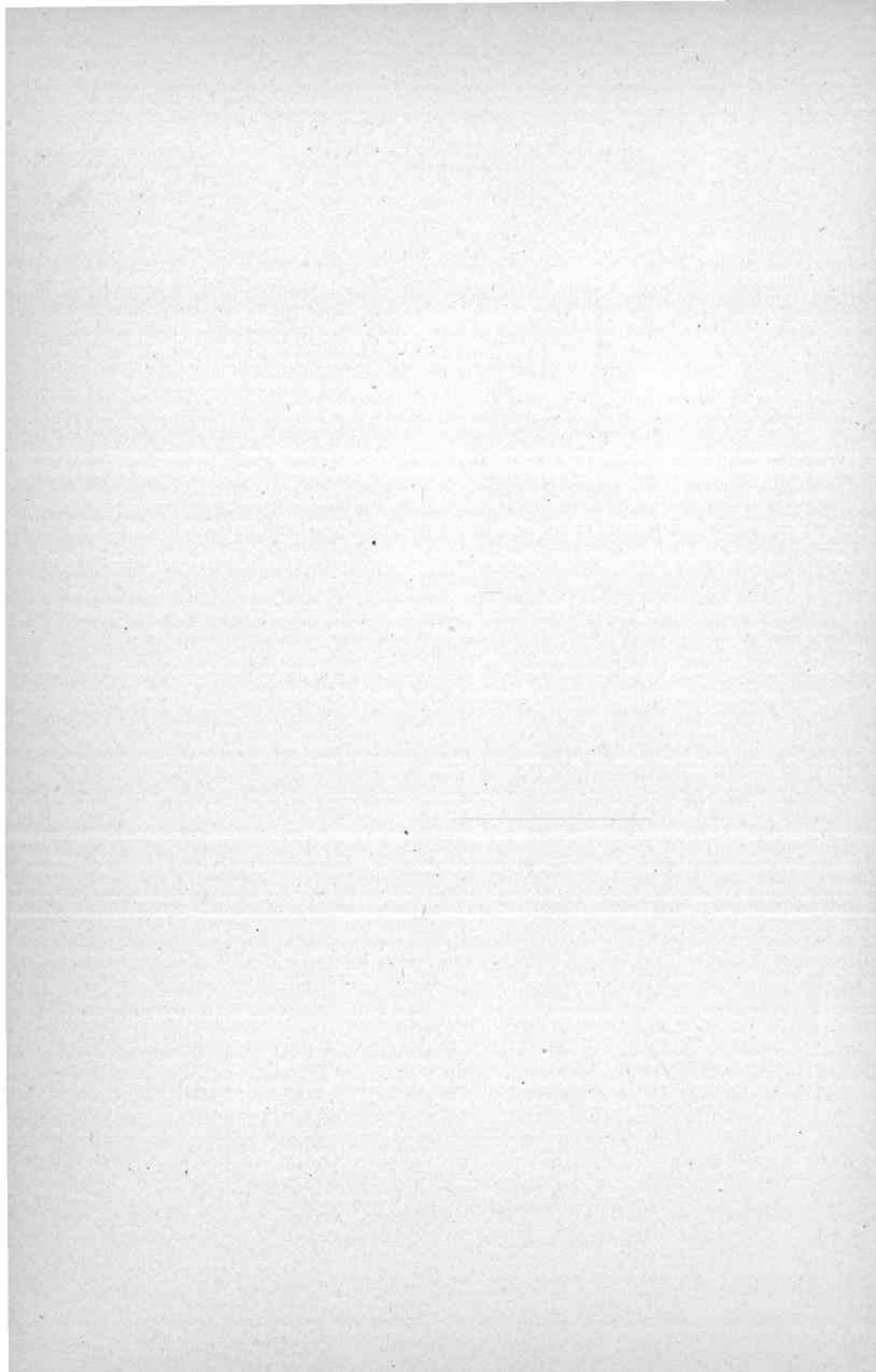
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APPENDIX L.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

ALABAMA, 1907.

The eighty-seventh annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 3d and 4th, M. W. B. M. Jacobs, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-eight lodges represented; four hundred and forty-four on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership nineteen thousand, nine hundred, and sixty-six; gain seventeen hundred and seventy-five. Receipts \$9,493.50.

The death of Bro. C. A. Allen, grand tyler since 1888, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following were among the twenty-one decisions reported:

20. A subordinate lodge has the authority to instruct its representatives as to its preference for any measure to be presented before the grand lodge for consideration or ballot.

21. The fact of having sat in chapter, council, commandery, or Scottish Rite with another is not of itself sufficient evidence to vouch for the latter as a master mason.

The first was disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence, which correctly held as follows:

and pen of Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee. The lily needs no paint; equally, the work of Bro. Todd needs no laudation at our hands. He gives Alabama, 1905, two pages of courteous, brotherly treatment, summarizing our proceedings in such manner as to arouse the writer's envy. Said writer is greatly honored by Bro. Todd's several extracts from the Alabama report, as well as by his commendation of the Alabama scribe's work.

The Masonic Veteran Association held its fifteenth annual meeting Jan. 22d and 23d. Much interest is manifested by the old timers in this yearly gathering, and, doubtless, both pleasure and profit are derived therefrom. The several addresses delivered before the association were interesting.

Bro. Titcomb holds that a lodge has the right to donate its surplus funds to suffering humanity outside of the fraternity; that none but masons should be appointed on the board of trustees of a masonic home; that a person who cannot read his petition or write his name is hardly fit material; that a candidate, if proficient, is entitled to advancement unless charges are preferred against him; that a warden should open the lodge before inviting a past master to preside, in which we do not agree; that the cipher should be excluded from the blue lodge; that visits of non-affiliates should depend upon the willingness of the lodge to let them in; and that a constitution is of little use if its provisions may be dispensed with by the grand master at his own pleasure.

M.°. W.°. H. S. D. Mallory, Selma, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, committee on foreign correspondence.

ALBERTA, 1908,

The third annual communication was held at Edmonton, May 27th and 28th, M.°. W.°. H. C. Taylor, Grand Master. Nineteen lodges represented; twenty-five on the roll. Two past grand masters and our representative present.

Thirteen dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, two hundred, and twenty-five; gain five hundred and fifty-five. Receipts \$3,289.55.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a brief summary of official acts; there were three rulings on physical qualifications, applicants minus left hand and with stiff knee being admitted, and minus right hand rejected; among the special dispensations were fourteen to wear regalia at divine service, one to act on the petition of a Lewis, and one to hold meeting on top of Cascade Mountain at Banff; a bonus of \$200 was granted to the grand secretary for the past year, and his salary increased to \$600; a chain collar was presented to their second past grand master; fourteen warrants were granted; a grant of \$500 was made to the home and school fund; the arrearages for lodge dues were reported at \$4,593.85, a very bad showing for this prosperous young grand lodge; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred on three brethren, including our representative; the ritual adopted in Manitoba, *Ecce Orienti*, was authorized for use; among the constitutional amendments were clauses prohibiting masons from becoming members of more than one warranted lodge having concurrent jurisdiction, except as an honorary or life member, and directing that requests for conferring degrees by courtesy be received through the grand secretary; the number of masonic districts was increased from three to six; thanks were returned to the local brethren for courtesies; and the corner stone of a public school building was laid, with addresses by the grand master elect and the premier of the province.

M. W. G. H. Hogbin, Grand Master; M. W. George Macdonald reelected Grand Secretary; both of Calgary.

ARIZONA, 1907.

The twenty-sixth annual communication was held in the Lone Star Mine, Morenci, Nov. 19th, 20th, and 21st, M. W. Herbert Brown, Grand Master. Eighteen lodges represented; nineteen on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership fifteen hundred and thirty-five; gain one hundred and forty-one. Receipts \$2,075.30.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1908.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Victoria, June 18th and 19th, M.: W.: Francis Bowser, Grand Master. Forty-one lodges represented; forty-three on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, seven hundred, and fifty-seven; gain four hundred and one. Receipts \$6,164.30.

The death of Bro. Eli Harrison, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and two past grand masters.

Several local decisions were reported, with fifteen special dispensations to attend divine service and three to attend balls in regalia; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized, while the Grand Lodge Comos was turned down; a welcome to the city was extended by his worship, the mayor; four warrants were granted; the charity fund was reported at \$19,671.-89; another grant of \$500 was made to the anti-tuberculosis society; an address on charity was delivered by Bro. H. G. F. Clinton, grand chaplain; and thanks were returned to the local lodges for the entertainment provided by them during the session.

Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith submitted his usual well considered report on foreign correspondence, with the following comments on Minnesota for 1908:

M. W. Bro. Gustaf Widell, of whom an excellent portrait faces the title page, read a practical, business-like address in which, with scant preface, he plunges at once *in medias res*.

The report on foreign correspondence is again from the able pen of Bro. Irving Todd, who condenses his work into fewer than one hundred pages.

Bro. De Wolf Smith is of the opinion that an aggrieved lodge or brother may appeal from any authority to the grand lodge itself; that a candidate elect has only the right to pre-

sent himself for initiation; that an illegitimate man is not eligible to be made a mason; that the Scottish Rite is not a masonic body; that the black ball is not used often enough; that it is the duty of every mason to relieve cases of distress without asking for reimbursement; that masonry is a law unto itself, and should not be bound down to legal procedure; that a lodge under dispensation should not be refused a warrant because it had never conferred a degree; and that an entered apprentice or a fellow craft should not be kept from advancement by a simple objection.

M.'. W.'. W. K. Houston, Grand Master; V.'. W.'. R. E. Brett reelected Grand Secretary; both of Victoria; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, New Westminster, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

CALIFORNIA, 1907.

The fifty-eighth annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 8th to 11th, M.'. W.'. E. H. Hart, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-two lodges represented; three hundred and seven on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-six thousand, one hundred, and twenty-six; gain two thousand, three hundred, and fifty-seven. Receipts \$41,917.95.

The portraits are of the grand master and a deceased brother.

The address is largely occupied with the final details of their great relief work, now happily brought to a close. The total receipts from all sources were \$311,048.14, of which amount \$60,397.23, twenty per cent, were returned to the donors pro rata. The grand master feelingly says:

Thus is closed in masonic history the greatest episode of its kind that has occurred in the centuries of the existence of free masonry; it has reflected honor, and only honor, upon the craft, and has placed a living crown of light upon the teachings and professions of our fraternity.

Knights of Pythias; and thanks were tendered the local brethren for kindly attentions.

Bro. Henry Robertson presented his accustomed report on foreign correspondence, prefaced with a brief account of the Order of Carbonari, an Italian society of the nineteenth century. Of Bro. Thomas Montgomery he says:

He died in harness, faithful to the last. He was prominent in the religious and municipal life of the city, and his executive ability was generally recognized. He was greatly esteemed, and his loss will be deeply regretted by the craft.

M. W. A. T. Freed reëlected Grand Master; R. W. R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary; both of Hamilton; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

COLORADO, 1908.

The forty-eighth annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 21st and 22d, M. W. J. A. Davis, Grand Master. One hundred and nine lodges represented; one hundred and fourteen on the roll. Twenty-two past grand masters present, including our representative.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership twelve thousand, nine hundred, and fifty; gain seven hundred and twenty-four. Receipts \$11,113.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

A number of special dispensations were reported to examine entered apprentices and fellowcrafts and ballot upon their advancement at special communications; seven local rulings were reported; the amount of the benevolent fund was stated at \$23,437.67; an admirable address was delivered by Bro. Melvin Edwards, grand orator; the balance of the loan to the Bromwell Company was reported paid; it was declared unmasonic for a brother to act as attorney in a masonic case for pay; the salary of the grand lecturer was increased to \$5 per day; three charters

were granted; the grand secretary in future is to examine the proposed secretary of a new lodge as to his proficiency in keeping the records before the dispensation shall be delivered; the date of holding the annual communications was advanced a month; a brother was made a permanent member of the grand lodge for faithful services of nearly a half century; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. L. N. Greenleaf in his very best style, with the following compliments for Minnesota:

An eloquent address was delivered by Bro. A. O. Eberhart, who took for his subject, *The Duties of a Mason*.

Another concise report on correspondence is presented by Bro. Irving Todd, in which appears a review of Colorado proceedings for 1906 and 1907.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association appear as an appendix as usual. The grand lodge voted \$100 as a permanent annual appropriation for the printing of its proceedings, recognizing the value of the same as a preserver of the historical data of masonry in Minnesota.

M. W. J. B. Haffy, Del Norte, Grand Master; R. W. C. H. Jacobson, Denver, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, Denver, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

CONNECTICUT, 1908.

The one hundred and twentieth annual communication was held at Hartford, Jan. 15th and 16th, M. W. A. J. Hallock, Grand Master. One hundred and eight lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty-one thousand, four hundred, and twenty-two; gain six hundred and ninety. Receipt \$16,625.58.

The death of Bro. Asa Smith, their oldest past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of a past grand chaplain.

The Order of Eastern Star is complimented in the address as follows :

This organization is still with us and doing splendid work in connection with our masonic home, and we join with all those who know of their work, and how unselfishly they are aiding the craft in Connecticut, in extending to them our thanks and wishing them prosperity.

An appropriation of \$250 was made to the grand secretary in appreciation of his services; a telegram of greeting was sent to an absent past grand master; the revised rules and regulations were reported and adopted; the rebate of \$788.28 from California was transferred to the charity foundation; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; the usual penalty was imposed upon the two lodges not represented; \$100 was appropriated to the grand secretary for a holiday; and a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary submitted his accustomed report on foreign correspondence, a carefully prepared paper, in which are found the following references to Minnesota for 1907 :

We do not favor such regulations. We have them in Connecticut, and would like to have them repealed. Exemptions from dues should be for inability to pay, not years of membership.

An able oration was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. Owen Morris.

The report on correspondence is as usual from the able pen of Bro. Irving Todd. Connecticut receives about one page of fraternal notice.

Connecticut has four thousand, eight hundred, and sixty-one exempt from dues, a fifth of the entire membership.

M. W. E. E. Fuller, Tolland, Grand Master; M. W. J. H. Barlow, Hartford, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as committee on masonic correspondence.

Bro. J. H. Barlow died June 16th at the age of seventy-six, full of years and of honors. He was grand master in

1880 and grand secretary since 1905; grand high priest in 1870; grand master of the grand council in 1874; and was venerable master of the veteran association. He had written the reports on correspondence for fourteen years, and will be greatly missed by the fraternity at home and abroad.

DELAWARE, 1908.

The one hundred and third annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 7th and 8th, M.: W.: T. J. Day, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; twenty-two on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative included.

Membership two thousand, nine hundred, and eighty-eight; gain one hundred. Receipts \$1,866.73.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A brief local address was submitted, with no decisions; greetings were exchanged with Pennsylvania; the grand charity fund was reported at \$2,064.24; the grand secretary was authorized to procure aprons for the grand officers; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. H. Jackson handed in his usual report on foreign correspondence, referring to Minnesota as follows:

An oration on The Duties of a Mason was delivered by Bro. A. O. Eberhart, grand orator. Here is one eloquent and impressive paragraph.

Bro. Irving Todd presented an interesting report on correspondence, including a very complete review of Delaware for 1907.

M.: W.: H. I. Beers, Jr., Dover, Grand Master; R.: W.: V. V. Harrison, Wilmington, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, Wilmington, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1907.

The ninety-seventh annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 18th, M. . W. . F. J. Woodman, Grand Master. The twenty-seven lodges all represented. Fourteen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eight thousand, three hundred, and sixty-three; gain three hundred and sixty-four. Receipts, \$8,203.

The death of Bro. R. B. Donaldson, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the late past grand master.

The address states that the remains of Bro. Valentine Reintzell, their first grand master, had been removed from an old cemetery at Georgetown to the Masonic Circle in Glenwood; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the peace resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Washington were mildly approved; and a special appropriation of \$200 was made to the library.

At the St. John's Day communication grand officers were elected and installed, and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. G. W. Baird submitted his eighth report on foreign correspondence, reviewing Minnesota for 1907. He says:

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd. An excellent essay. His review is brief, but it covers the salient points admirably. * * * He quotes us correctly in everything, save in the matter of funeral service. We think masonic services can and may be executed at the cremation as well as any other burial services.

As an appendix there is a reproduction of the material portions of an interesting government publication entitled Bro. John Paul Jones, with numerous illustrations. Bro. Baird has done the craft great service in putting this valuable matter into available form.

M. . W. . A. B. Coolidge, Grand Master; R. . W. . A.

W. Johnston reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

FLORIDA, 1908.

The seventy-ninth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 21st, 22d, and 23d, M. W. E. E. Haskell, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-two lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-one on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-eight; gain seven hundred and thirty. Receipts \$9,415.50.

The death of Bro. R. J. Perry, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Telegrams of regret were forwarded to two absent past grand masters; forty-nine official rulings were reported, but not printed; grand officers were advised not to write fraternal letters advocating the election of certain candidates to political offices; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized, and the applications of the grand orients of Greece, Paraguay, and Brazil for recognition were denied; the peace resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Washington were considered as in the domain of politics; masons made in lodges of the A. and A. S. Rite were recognized as legitimate; a silver trowel was presented by a brother, to be used in the laying of corner stones; the corner stone of the new masonic temple was laid with appropriate ceremonies; five charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; an address was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator; an appropriation of \$200 was made towards a monument for Bro. W. A. McLean, past grand master; the past master's degree was conferred upon forty-six brethren; and jewels were ordered for the grand stewards.

The report on correspondence was prepared as usual by

Bro. S. B. Wright, and includes a fraternal review of Minnesota for 1907. The following is the only personal allusion:

The correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd, and is an exceedingly brief review of the proceedings of the various grand lodges. Florida for 1906 receives fraternal notice.

M. W. E. E. Haskell, Palatka, Grand Master, and R. W. W. P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. S. B. Wright, DeLand, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

GEORGIA, 1907.

The one hundred and twenty-first annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 29th, 30th, and 31st, M. W. Max Meyerhardt, Grand Master. Four hundred and ninety lodges represented; five hundred and five on the roll. One past grand master and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-eight thousand, four hundred, and twenty; gain eight hundred. Receipts \$32,492.75.

The deaths of Bro. W. A. Davis and Bro. J. I. Wright, past grand masters, and Bro. J. W. Akin, past junior grand warden and author of Akin's Lodge Manual, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is quite lengthy, and full of the oratory so dear to the southerners; there are a page of unimportant decisions, six pages of visitations, seven and a half pages of special dispensations, and a page and a half more for laying of corner stones; the list of past masters in attendance fills ten and a quarter pages, and the standing committees nearly nine; the first afternoon was devoted to a visit to the home, and the evening to addresses and conferring the master mason's degree; thanks were returned to the general assembly for abolishing the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the state; the board of district deputies reported that they were of no earthly use, and recommended that the office be

abolished, which was tabled by the committee on general welfare; leave of absence was granted to three-quarters of a page of brethren; a committee was appointed to provide new clothing for the grand lodge; twenty-four charters were granted, and one restored; the grand officers were recommended to cooperate with the district deputies in formulating uniform work, and the organization of district and county conventions indorsed; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; the temple committee recommended the erection of a building exclusively for masonic purposes, as soon as the necessary funds were available; the claim of an adopted son to a bequest made to the home was rejected, but he was given \$1,000 as a moral obligation; the two line report of the committee on unfinished business has twenty-eight signatures, two missing; a page and a quarter of brethren were expelled for unmasonic conduct, and a quarter of a page restored; an additional representative was allowed to lodges for each hundred members or fraction thereof, after the first hundred; amendments to the constitution providing for an annual assessment of \$1 per capita as a home fund, and limiting the eligibility of the grand master to two terms, were offered to lie over a year; a jewel and resolutions were presented to the retiring grand master for his seven years of efficient service; thanks were tendered to the Wesleyan Female College for a delightful musicale; and a resolution giving the lodges a representative for each fifty members, and limiting per diem and mileage to representatives, officers, and past officers of the grand lodge was referred to the committee on general welfare of 1908.

Bro. A. Q. Moody submitted his usual report on foreign correspondence, with a two page review of Minnesota for 1907, in which appear the following paragraphs:

Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, delivered a thoughtful address, which was well received.

Bro. Irving Todd presents a well prepared report of ninety-two pages. He gives a skillful summary of Georgia affairs for 1905.

In answer to our criticism of the decision of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, that a self murderer is entitled to masonic burial, he says— * * * The answer is ingenious, but not convincing.

To carry the argument further, suppose the brother had committed an atrocious and cold blooded murder on one of his fellow beings, and was executed for the crime. Would he be entitled to masonic burial out of respect to his family?

Certainly not. It would be neither asked nor expected. Yet this has nothing whatever to do with the burial of a non-affiliate or a suicide. Our grand lodge does not hold that either are entitled to the honor, yet it is permitted by courtesy in the discretion of the lodge.

Under North Carolina Bro. Moody says:

But when the candidate becomes a mason, he renounces the Roman Catholic Church. He cannot be a mason and a Roman Catholic at the same time.

A little investigation in other jurisdictions would convince our esteemed brother that this point is not well taken. The matter has often been referred to in the foreign correspondence reports of the past four or five years.

The conclusion is a beautiful poem, entitled *The River of Time*.

M.°. W.°. T. H. Jeffries, Atlanta, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. W. A. Wolihin, Macon, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. Q. Moody, Boston, committee on foreign correspondence.

IDAHO, 1908.

The forty-first annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 8th, 9th and 10th, M.°. W.°. W. C. Whitwell, Grand Master. Thirty-eight lodges represented; forty-one on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership two thousand, five hundred, and ninety-five; gain two hundred. Receipts \$10,079.47.

The death of Bro. F. E. Ensign, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

A local address, and six unimportant rulings; a reception and banquet was given; two charters were granted; sixteen lodges were fined \$5 each for failure to read the grand lodge proceedings; an extempore oration was delivered by Bro. B. S. Defenbach, grand orator; the grand lecturer was given \$250 for expenses and his salary discontinued; the by-laws were amended, requiring a separate ballot on each petition, so Maine was not the only jurisdiction dealing in job lots; thanks were tendered for courtesies; and the signet ring was duly transferred.

The report on foreign correspondence was written by Bro. G. E. Knepper as a matter of course, and he certainly earned the \$150 appropriated for that purpose. We quote from his review of Minnesota as follows:

The grand orator, Bro. A. O. Eberhart, delivered a thoughtful oration on The Duties of a Mason. It was printed in the appendix of the volume of proceedings, and covered eight solid pages.

Bro. Todd writes another of his crisp correspondence reports. He touches on all important points in the proceedings of Idaho.

Under the head of District of Columbia, he says:

More and more are grand lodges encroaching upon the prerogatives of subordinate lodges. Continued legislation will reduce the worshipful masters to mere automatons.

M. W. R. Hamilton, Silver City, Grand Master;
R. W. T. W. Randall, Boise, reelected Grand Secretary;
Bro. G. E. Knepper, Moscow, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ILLINOIS, 1908.

The sixty-ninth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 6th, 7th, and 8th, M. W. A. H. Bell, Grand Master. Six hundred and thirty-nine lodges represented; seven hundred

and sixty-one on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Eleven dispensations for new lodges. Membership ninety thousand, five hundred, and seventy-six; gain four thousand, nine hundred, and seventy-seven. Receipts \$51,110.30.

The death of Bro. G. W. Barnard, a well known craftsman and member of the board of grand examiners and of the committee on finance, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand orator, with a cut of the new home building at Sullivan.

The address is a careful presentation of official acts, with several local rulings; the home property in Chicago was reported sold for \$35,000; Bro. Fay Hempstead, grand secretary of Arkansas, was welcomed with the grand honors, responding with a brief address; the reports of the Sullivan home show sixty-eight inmates, maintenance \$20,621.22, new building \$42,809.23; of the Chicago home forty inmates, maintenance \$11,035.25; an amendment to the act of incorporation was recommended, restoring the word ancient in conformity with the original act; the date of the annual communication was set back a week; an elaborate oration on International Brotherhood was delivered by Bro. E. E. Beach, grand orator; nine charters were granted and four dispensations continued; an appropriation of \$20,000 was made for the site of an orphans' home in or near Chicago, and \$300 for a new edition of the Blue Book; a special committee was appointed to extend recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, reporting next year, but with Bro. Joseph Robbins as its chairman we guess nit; the finance committee was instructed to consider the advisability of reducing the mileage and increasing the per diem of members and committeemen; and a warrant of \$50 was ordered drawn for one of the grand stewards, absent by reason of physical infirmity.

Another voluminous report on correspondence was furnished by Bro. Joseph Robbins, which we have read with interest. The following quotations are made from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

The frontispiece of this volume is a fine portrait of the retiring grand master, Gustav Widell, a strong face.

The grand master reported six decisions, all showing a level headed appreciation of the law, and all were confirmed.

The grand lodge listened to a long, well written, and often beautiful oration of the practical sort, largely hortatory.

The report on correspondence is from the newspaper trained hand and brain of Bro. Irving Todd, whose terse but informing style is unequaled. When it comes to telling it all in a few words without losing the shading which discloses the flavor of the morsel, he has, in the expressive vernacular of the street, his confreres all "skinned."

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota has always been very conservative in extending recognition, a policy not likely to be disturbed just at present. No grand body of questionable antecedents was ever formally recognized, to the best of our recollection. Still we do not assume that those upon which no action has been taken are necessarily clandestine, or that an exchange of courtesies would be denied upon proper application.

Bro. Robbins does not believe in the consolidation of lodges by a majority vote; or that a separate ballot should be taken upon advancement; or that the individuality of a lodge should be impaired by model by-laws, records, or forms; or that a lodge should be reimbursed for charity; or that a past master loses his standing by removal to another jurisdiction; or that a maimed fellowcraft should be debarred from advancement by reason of his misfortune; or that documentary evidence tends to diminish the facilities for imposition; or that a lodge under dispensation can affiliate members; or the holding of lodges of sorrow in craft masonry; or that the absence of its charter invalidates the work of a lodge.

M.°. W.°. A. H. Bell, Carlinville, was reëlected Grand Master, and R.°. W.°. Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

INDIANA, 1908.

The eighty-seventh annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 26th and 27th, M.°. W.°. W. O. Bragg, Grand Master. Five hundred and twenty-six lodges represented;

five hundred and thirty-one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one consolidation. Membership fifty thousand, one hundred, and eleven; gain two thousand, seven hundred, and fifty-eight. Receipts \$16,245.14.

The death of Bro. Christian Fetta, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect. There is also a cut of the new temple, dedicated May 25th, an imposing structure and a credit to the Hoosier craft.

Eight local rulings were reported, the following being very properly disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence:

4. After one year, the amount of the dues for which a brother was suspended having been paid it should be returned to him if the lodge rejects the applicant or refuses to restore the brother to membership. As the suspended brother is by action of the lodge still deprived of all his rights and privileges, it would be unfair and unjust to keep his money.

The unpaid amount at the time the brother was stricken from the rolls is a debt owed by him to his lodge, the status of which is not affected by the subsequent election or rejection. Any other brother might with equal propriety ask for the return of money paid by him as lodge dues.

Three charters were granted; a message of sympathy was telegraphed a past grand master, absent through the illness of his son; the salary of the grand secretary was raised to \$1,800 per year, a well deserved compliment to Bro. Prather; the cost of the new temple was estimated at about \$435,000; a past grand master whose home is now in Wisconsin was allowed additional mileage and per diem to cover the expense of attendance; the peace resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Washington were not considered a legitimate subject for consideration; the request of the Eastern Star to use the term masonic in connection with their home was not granted; recognition was extended to Saskatchewan and Alberta; a special committee was appointed to arrange for the celebration of the one

hundredth anniversary of the permanent establishment of free-masonry in the northwest territory, Mar. 13th, 1909, with an appropriation of \$500 for expenses; a brother aged ninety-three, who has for many years represented his lodge in the grand lodge, was placed upon the pay roll; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The annual review of masonic grand lodges was prepared as usual by Bro. Daniel McDonald, in which we regret to find that Minnesota does not appear. Why did not the good brother write for a copy of our proceedings?

Bro. McDonald holds that the secrecy and unanimity of the ballot is the Rock of Gibraltar on which the great masonic structure is firmly anchored; that laying corner stones is no more real work than the burial of the dead; that objecting to a candidate should not be allowed, but if there is sufficient reason charges should be preferred; that documentary evidence is of modern origin; that the system of life membership is wrong in principle and worse in practice; that we are not making too many masons, but that we are making masons out of too many men that do not and never will know what masonry is; that masonic clothing should never be worn except upon purely masonic occasions; that a large per cent of the sums contributed to masonic homes goes to pay for their management and to provide fat places for masonic favorites; and that stereopticons have come to stay.

M. W. C. N. Mikels, New Castle, Grand Master; R. W. C. W. Prather, Indianapolis, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. Daniel McDonald, Plymouth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

INDIAN TERRITORY, 1908.

The thirty-fifth annual communication was held at Mc Alester, Aug 11th and 12th, M. W. J. B. Morrow, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-six lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-two on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Nine dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership nine thousand and eighty-two; gain six hundred and six. Receipts \$12,342.45.

The death of Bro. A. F. Ross, grand chaplain, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is nothing in the address and eight rulings of particular interest to the craft in general; a telegram of condolence was forwarded to a past grand master upon the fatal illness of his son; a cordial welcome was extended to a delegation from Oklahoma; a pleasing address was delivered by Bro. George Thornburg, Grand Master of Arkansas; the home board of control was recognized as a standing committee, with per diem and mileage; the report of the home shows thirty-one inmates, expenditures \$6,858.10; the orphans' home fund was reported at \$60,159.24; eleven charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; thanks were returned for innumerable courtesies; a special dispensation to attend church in masonic clothing was not approved by the committee on law and usage; lodges under dispensation were given authority to affiliate members, which properly comes under the head of pernicious legislation; Bro. Fay Hemptead, Grand Secretary of Arkansas, was indorsed as Poet Laureate; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; an able address was delivered by Bro. W. H. Talmage, grand orator; and the special committee on consolidation reported a plan of merger with Oklahoma, to be acted upon by both grand lodges next year.

The matter of consolidation has been agitated in the two jurisdictions since the proposition of statehood was first introduced in congress, the difficult feature being the absorption of the mother grand lodge by its daughter, made necessary by the organic act naming the new state as Oklahoma. It is very hard for the faithful brethren of Indian Territory to lose their identity after an honorable existence of thirty-five years, but there is seemingly no help for it. The draft of union submitted appears to be as fair to them as could reasonably be expected under the peculiar circumstances.

Bro. T. C. Humphry submitted his sixth report on correspondence, and possibly the last. He will be greatly missed by the guild. The following extracts are taken from the review of Minnesota:

We note in the proceedings that W. Bro. M. E. Clapp, United States senator, delivered an eloquent and scholarly address. Bro. Clapp has visited the Indian Territory section of country, and is personally known to the writer.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota sustained a great loss in the death of Bro. Thomas Montgomery, who had been grand secretary since 1889.

The grand orator was A. O. Eberhart. His subject, The Duties of a Mason. The oration was rich in fine sentiment.

These brethren seem to be in earnest, and evince the proper spirit.

The report on correspondence is again by Bro. Irving Todd, covering ninety-nine pages of journal. Indian Territory for 1907 received fraternal notice at his hands.

Reading of the death of Bro. Montgomery and seeing the name of Bro. Irving Todd calls to my mind the group of pictures including these brethren, found in the journal three years ago.

The address of Senator Clapp was delivered at the laying of the corner stone of the courthouse in Jackson, and not at grand lodge.

M. W. H. L. Muldrow, Tishomingo, Grand Master;
R. W. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, reelected Grand Secretary;
Bro. T. C. Humphry, Hugo, committee on correspondence.

IOWA, 1908.

The sixty-fifth annual communication was held at Cedar Rapids, June 2d, 3d, and 4th, R. W. Louis Block, Acting Grand Master. Four hundred and thirty-one lodges represented; five hundred and ten on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present.

Six dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership thirty-nine thousand, five hundred, and four; gain one thousand, six hundred, and sixty-six. Receipts \$35,564.07.

The portraits are of the grand master and the elective grand officers.

The grand master was absent by reason of the serious illness of his wife, and a resolution of sympathy was wired him; five local decisions were reported; the Grand Master of South Dakota was welcomed as a visitor; the decision that a lodge could receive the petition of a bookkeeper in a brewery was overruled by the jurisprudence committee; five charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; a resolution of fraternal greeting was forwarded to the master of a lodge, not present from sickness; the trustees of the grand charity fund reported \$5,263.50 disbursements for relief; the grand council of the state was formally recognized as having exclusive jurisdiction over the cryptic degrees; an amendment to the code was adopted, requiring candidates to present themselves for initiation, passing, or raising within six months; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was deferred; thanks were returned for their entertainment; three gavels were presented to the museum; an apron was presented to a past grand master; and two aged brethren, one a member of the grand lodge in 1858, the other grand treasurer in 1862, were introduced and welcomed.

Another first report on fraternal correspondence was submitted, this time by Bro. L. E. Fellows, past grand master, and worth the \$200 paid for its preparation. In Minnesota's page are found the following:

The grand master's address is confined strictly to a report of his acts as grand master and an extended obituary notice of their late grand secretary, R. W. Thomas Montgomery, who had served as grand secretary since Nov. 30th, 1889, and for twelve years prior to that time as assistant grand secretary. His record as a citizen, church worker, prominence in civil, military, and masonic life are given in detail, and as a conclusion the grand master says: * * * Truly the record of a man's life is his best, because his most truthful eulogy.

An oration upon The Duties of a Mason, by Bro. A. O. Eberhart, is an exceedingly able and instructive address, high toned, of great literary merit and rare eloquence.

The report on correspondence, of ninety pages, by Bro. Irving Todd, is remarkable because of the amount of information gleaned and presented in so brief a manner. We believe it would be of greater interest and more appreciated did it contain more of the views of other writers, and comment by Bro. Todd.

The following pertinent criticism is found under the head of New York:

We may be accused of antagonizing a popular method of dispensing masonic charity, but with the light we have been able to obtain as to the practical workings and the results attained in establishing masonic homes, and in the light of our own experience as a grand lodge, we feel justified in venturing the opinion that the establishment of masonic homes is not only financially burdensome, but a practical failure to meet our full obligations in extending masonic charity.

Following their recently adopted custom of passing things around, the report next year is to be made by the late deputy grand master.

Among the Incidents of the Week, fully reported in the appendices, we find the following paragraph of interest to the brethren of the Minnesota Valley, where the groom is so well and favorably known:

An incident not on the programme, and indeed engineered by some of the older members of grand lodge, deserves mention in this place. For thirteen years or more Miss Cora E. Dennis was stenographer and assistant to the grand secretary. In that time she had become known to all those in regular attendance at grand lodge. Her willingness, capability, and tact, joined to a winsome manner and true womanly dignity, won for her the esteem and regard of all those to whom she was known. A few months before, Miss Dennis severed her connection with the office to become the bride of Senator Julius Coller, of Shakopee, Minn. But grand lodge and the opportunity of meeting so many old friends in her home town brought the lady to Cedar Rapids. On the afternoon of Wednesday Mrs. Coller was called to the balcony floor of the Montrose, and there Past Grand Master Granger, in words that were of the heart in earnestness and eloquence, and in behalf of the friends concerned, presented her, as a belated wedding gift, with a mahogany chest of

solid table silver. The surprise of the occasion is to be imagined, not described. It was indeed a beautiful gift, but the sentiments of kindness and friendship prompting the offering were of even greater value to the recipient.

M. J. W. J. P. J. Martin, Waterloo, Grand Master; R. J. W. J. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Louis Block, Davenport, committee on fraternal correspondence.

KANSAS, 1908.

The fifty-second annual communication was held at Topeka, Feb. 19th and 20th, M. J. W. J. E. W. Wellington, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty-five lodges represented; three hundred and seventy-seven on the roll. Twelve past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested; one consolidation. Membership thirty thousand, four hundred, and sixty-eight; gain one thousand, seven hundred, and four. Receipts \$32,366.24.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with a group of appointive officers.

The address is an able business document, with three local decisions; the report of the home shows seventy-seven inmates, disbursements \$20,779.84; three charters were granted; the section of the constitution providing for custodians of the work was repealed; an exhaustive report on the subject of recognition was made by the committee on correspondence, recommending that questions pertaining to a belief in deity, the bible upon the altar, actual sovereignty, and limitation to symbolic masonry be propounded to all applicants before considering their case; an interesting oration was delivered by Bro. Dallas Grover, ordered printed in the proceedings and five thousand copies in pamphlet form; jewels were presented to the retiring grand master and a past grand master by personal friends; two charters were revoked; the title of the district deputies was enlarged to right worshipful, and they are to be

received at official visitations with the same ceremony as other grand lodge officers; a number of amendments to the by-laws were adopted relating to salaries and allowances, sub-officers, lodge trials, per capita tax from members of defunct lodges, marking of corner stones, approval of lodge minutes at the next stated communication, and certification of life membership and claims by the grand secretary; the peace resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Washington were laid over a year; thanks were returned to the local craft for their attention and hospitality; and the committee of past grand masters, appointed to convey the love and sympathy of the grand lodge to the grand tyler, at home sick, reported his grateful appreciation.

The report on correspondence was again prepared by Bro. M. M. Miller, whose limit of ninety pages was courteously extended to one hundred and fifty by the council of administration, and he made good use of it. Minnesota for 1907 is complimented as follows:

The grand master's address is a model of simplicity, brevity, good taste, and sense. He has been a faithful workman, but he does not say so; there is an entire absence of frills, furbelows, and fustian. We would like to take Bro. Morris by the hand just to see whether he has the kind of grip that should harmonize with the characteristics of the address.

The grand orator, Owen Morris, presented the brethren with an oration that should cause them to sit up and take notice.

Minnesota masons honor their grand masters in death as well as life. The volume contains a picture of the monument erected to the memory of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson and his wife, Eleanor C., by the fraternity of Minnesota. The monument reflects credit upon our Minnesota brethren.

The report on correspondence, by Bro. Irving Todd, is fully up to his old time reports in manner and matter. * * * Kansas receives high consideration at the hands of Bro. Todd, the Kansas volume of proceedings being highly commended.

The Minnesota Veteran Association held their annual meeting. We have always read their reports with great interest. But we miss the master mind that did so much to make the Minnesota Veteran Association known and honored. We think our Minnesota brethren have a proper appreciation of the merit and greatness of G. R. Metcalf. He did much to honor them, and was well worthy of the high encomiums paid to his memory.

M. W. H. F. Mason, Garden City, Grand Master; R. W. A. K. Wilson, Topeka, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. M. M. Miller, Topeka, committee on correspondence.

KENTUCKY, 1908.

The one hundred and eighth annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 20th, 21st, and 22d, M. W. H. P. Barret, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifteen lodges represented; five hundred and thirteen on the roll. Twenty-one past grand masters present.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership thirty-two thousand, seven hundred, and seventy; gain two thousand, one hundred, and forty. Receipts \$32,703.52.

The portraits are of the grand master and the grand master elect.

The following were among the approved decisions of the grand master:

2. Can a brother who has been suspended for non-payment of dues for a number of years, presumably over two, and who is now engaged in running a whisky house, be reinstated in his lodge? No.

3. Is it lawful to hold a raffle under masonic auspices? No. Regulation No. 404 clearly covers this point. This regulation applies not only to the parties conducting the raffle, but also to the purchasers of tickets.

4. Can a lodge remit the dues of a brother who has been suspended for non-payment of dues for over two years, and receive his petition as if his dues had been paid? Yes. In the exercise of a sound discretion, this is within the right of the lodge.

The first two indicate a great change of sentiment in the good old bourbon state, whose grand lodge was directly interested in lotteries for upwards of seventy years. Verily, the world do move.

No. 4 is not good law. Dues should only be remitted on the ground of poverty. It is presumable that the brother was able to pay or he would not have been suspended, and being able should pay the same as any other member.

representatives of the Grand Master. As to the matter of expense, it is probable that we may have to pay a salary of \$150 per month, besides traveling expenses, for a lecturer competent to fill such office. That expense, I anticipate, may possibly though not probably be as large as the salary. But I am so convinced of the inadequacy of the District Deputy system to bring the desired results, that I do venture, respectfully and earnestly, to recommend the adoption of a resolution by this Grand Lodge,—

That the Grand Master be authorized and instructed to secure and appoint some competent brother as Grand Lecturer each year, whose compensation shall be \$150 per month besides his traveling expenses, to be paid upon vouchers approved by the Grand Master, and that such lecturer shall be under the orders and supervision of the Grand Master.

If this recommendation is adopted, I further recommend that the District Deputy system be abolished, and our General Regulation, Sec. 63, be amended by striking out "District Deputy Grand Masters."

If the Grand Lodge does not feel ready to take this course, I can only recommend that increased care and thoughtfulness be exercised by representatives and brethren of our Lodges in recommending deputies for appointment, and that mere rotation of the honor among Lodges and mere personal friendships be forgotten in making such recommendations, to the end that only those may be recommended who are well known to be qualified and to have the time and who can spare the expense of properly performing and who are willing to undertake the duties of so important a task, and whom every Lodge will treat with fraternal respect and be glad to see. Such deputy ought to be of high social and business standing and know true Masonic "work," when he sees it, and lack of business methods, when he observes the lack. If we can get such men for deputies everywhere, the system will be immensely increased in value. If we cannot get them, it is at least of doubtful utility for any purpose.

A report from the special committee on District Deputy Grand Masters appointed two years ago, and postponed last year, because of the absence of its chairman, Bro. Elmquist, who was ill, should be made this year. If made it can be considered in connection with the foregoing facts and recommendation.

The reports of Lodges sent me by the District Deputies, referred to above are here for your inspection, but not for publication, and will be filed with the Grand Secretary.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

Intimately connected with the condition of the Craft, is the work of our Custodians. Custodian Tusler, upon the private request of Kellogg Lodge No. 122 held a School of Instruction at that place early last winter. He reports much interest and a good attendance.

Upon the request of the Lodges in the 20th District I authorized Custodian Smith to hold a three days' school with Florence Lodge, at Wood Lake in March. The school was well attended by representatives from the Lodges in the District and it is believed much good was accomplished. I had expected to attend this school and should have done so but for my unfortunate illness that month before mentioned.

Upon the request of Columbian Lodge at Heron Lake and agreement of many other Lodges in the 23rd District, I authorized Custodian Sprout to hold a three days' school at Heron Lake last week. Bro. Sprout reports a good attendance and intelligent attention by the officers and brethren of many of the Lodges in that locality.

The usual school of instruction has been held by the Custodians this week, and they were present in St. Paul to hold such school on Saturday last but found few present to instruct. They held a school, however for three days. This school has been attended by many representatives who came here for the purpose before the meeting of this Annual Communication. The detailed report of the Custodians will present further details of their work during the past year. If we are not to have a Grand Lecturer, certainly we should have more schools and a larger attendance upon such as we do have.

DISPENSATIONS.

As authorized by our Constitution, I have granted dispensations whenever requested, for changing the meeting places of Lodges, after being assured that facilities for safe-guarding the records, etc., of the Lodge, required by our regulations (Par. 208, p. 215, Code) in cases of joint occupancy of halls, existed.

In one case I granted a dispensation for the election of officers where the time fixed for the same by the By-Laws had been allowed to pass, and in two other cases for the election of Wardens, where the brother elected at the regular time, declined to accept the election and be installed.

I granted dispensation for one of our old Lodges to sublet its

hall, which had previously been dedicated to the purpose of Free Masonry, it appearing upon investigation, that the changed conditions and circumstances of the Lodge, made it an unreasonable tax and burden for them to pay the rent and support the hall alone. Previously a chapter of R. A. M. divided the burden, but the latter has disbanded.

I also granted dispensation to a Lodge to permit the Annual State Convention of the order of Red Men, to be held in the hall of the former, full notice having been given to the brethren of the Lodge of the request for such use, and no one opposing the vote by which it was agreed, in this case, to extend the courtesy.

DISPENSATIONS TO EXCEED CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT
IN CONFERRING DEGREES.

While I have had many requests from Lodges for dispensations to make more than "five new brethren at the same time." as fixed by Art. IV, Sec. 22 of the Constitution, and to confer the F. C. and M. M. degrees upon more than five at the same meeting, as fixed by our Regulation of 1896, p. 51, (Par. 256, p. 221, Code,) I have granted them but seldom. Nearly all of these requests came either without statement of the necessity for a departure from the express judgment of the Grand Lodge that "five" should ordinarily be the limit, or gave the "convenience" of the Lodge or of their officers, or the lessening of "expense," as a reason. My view and understanding of the law limiting the number who can thus be made, is that "five" is considered the most who can be decently or intelligently obligated at a time. "Five" is the solemn adjudication which has come down to us through the Ancient Constitutions. It is a determination of our most ancient of Fraternities, (which, unlike any other, has never permitted the boozing or advertising of its privileges in any manner, and which denounces primarily all solicitation of petitions for our degrees, or even suggestions toward that object, as un-masonic,) that "work" on a greater number, cannot be well done, and therefore, ordinarily should not be allowed. It is the obligation which makes the Mason, whether E. A., F. C. or M. M. The best Mason will be one to whom the obligation is most intelligently and instructively given, other things being equal. I have been told, that some jurisdictions permit but one to be obligated at a time. Our Minnesota "work" seems in fact to provide for only one. Every Mason thinking seriously for a moment, will agree that a lone obligee at the altar will be immeasurably more impressed with the solemnity and instructiveness of the ceremony and obligation than it is possible, by contrast, for a crowd of candidates as-

following decisions, upon questions of Masonic law submitted to me, from time to time during the year:

1. A traveling man's legal home after marriage is where his wife lives and where she is supported by him, and to which place he returns when his business permits, although that business may keep him elsewhere the greater part of his time, unless such man has continued to claim his residence where it was before marriage, in another town, and continued to vote there, and his wife for convenience simply continues to live with her own parents, in which case his home will be considered where he still votes, and his petition for degrees belongs in that place.

2. If an otherwise qualified petitioner for the degrees of Masonry has legally resided for one year and voted in a town, his petition belongs there.

3. Only men, 21 years of age and otherwise qualified, are eligible for the degrees of Masonry, and the residence of such a man, whether married or single, depends upon his own movements and intentions, and never primarily upon the residence of his parents with whom he may at some time have made his home. If such unmarried man leaves the home of such parents temporarily, without intending to change his residence and intending to return thereto, and in fact does nothing while away (as by exercising the voting franchise) to indicate a contrary intention, his home and residence will be presumed to have continued with his parents and he may petition for our degrees there.

4. A Lodge cannot be called from labor to refreshment and separate until another day.

5. A Masonic Lodge as such, should not join with an un-masonic organization in the ownership of a Lodge room or building. If joint ownership with other organizations seems necessary, a corporation outside the Lodge should be formed to manage the matter. Then the Lodge as such will not be involved financially and it cannot possibly get mixed up in any partnership disputes.

6. A Master of a Lodge has the right to remove an appointed officer thereof who has been installed, but who, since such installation, has willfully failed to attend the Lodge, and such Master may thereupon appoint another brother to fill the office for the unexpired term. The records of the Lodge should be made to show the removal, the reasons therefor and the new appointment.

7. When a brother who has been stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues is re-instated, he takes his old Lodge and Grand Lodge numbers.

8. A member of a Lodge in this jurisdiction, against whom charges were preferred, trial had, and who was indefinitely suspend-

ed by a Lodge in a foreign jurisdiction, and from which suspension the accused has appealed to the Grand Lodge of that jurisdiction, is entitled to no privileges of Masonry anywhere, except the right to prosecute his appeal, and his Lodge here should not accept dues from him pending such appeal.

9. It is not allowable that Masons or Masonic Lodges, as such, take part in any public anniversary or observance, in church or elsewhere, which is not in the sole control of the Fraternity. The test of the propriety of Lodges participating in public exercises of any kind is that a Symbolic Lodge controls the service or exercise.

10. Either hand may be used in voting.

11. The minutes of a Lodge cannot be amended after they are formally approved.

12. One who has been regularly elected to receive the degrees of Masonry in this jurisdiction and after receiving his E. A. degree is tried in regular proceedings and suspended for five years, is still a member of and amenable to the Lodge so electing him at the expiration of the term of suspension. And if such E. A. thereafter petitions a Lodge in a foreign jurisdiction (without disclosing his status with the first mentioned lodge,) and is elected and receives all our degrees in that foreign Lodge, he is guilty of unmasonic conduct, for which the Lodge here should proceed against him.

13. If their By-Laws do not prohibit such use of Lodge funds, and there is no sentiment against such use among the members thereof, a Lodge may as an act of charity furnish a room in a private hospital to be known as the "Masonic Room," but such Lodge must not obligate themselves to maintain it.

14. Unless the By-Laws provide to the contrary, a lodge has the right, under the Constitution (Sec. 25, Art. 4) without dispensation from the Grand Master, to fill vacancies in the office of either Treasurer or Secretary however such vacancies may have occurred.

[The above decision was first made, and then repeated, upon application for dispensation to hold elections where a treasurer or secretary had resigned, after simply reading the constitutional provision referred to, and applying thereto the well known canon for construction of laws, that the specific inclusion of some officers named shall be deemed to exclude all others,—in this case. I only discovered the previous approved decision of this Grand Lodge,—in 1869,—that an elective officer cannot resign, since this report was begun. I find such previous decision is supported by Mackey's Masonic Jurisprudence, on the principle there laid down, that as an elective officer takes an obligation for a year, he cannot be allowed to throw up the job. Such reason would prevent a public officer

of any organization, from resigning. But it has never been held in any such case that a man might not resign. He is responsible until he turns over all property to his successor, of course. The reason has never been any stronger, (and from the nature of things cannot be,) in Masonry than elsewhere. There is absolutely no word in our installation obligation to support the reason laid down by Mackey. On the contrary, there is every reason, why the secretary or treasurer should be allowed to resign and quit an office which he can no longer fill, and thus permit his Lodge to protect itself, by filling that office with some brother who, if he proves himself competent, will be continued therein by the Lodge. This would not follow upon a personal appointment made by the Master. The language of our Constitution, above referred to, plainly permits a Lodge to fill *any vacancy*, except in the offices of Master or Warden. Besides said Constitutional provision, the form of By-Laws in the Code, expressly permits a secretary or a treasurer to dimit. A dimit, so far as the Lodge is concerned, is a resignation of membership. If membership is gone, the office certainly is. The decision of 1869, p. 47, should be overruled and omitted from future editions of the Code. This will do away with a senseless conflict between our Constitution, which is plain, and innumerable Codes of By-Laws approved by many Grand Masters, on the one side, and a decision directly contrary to the Constitution on the other.]

15. Where an elected officer of a Lodge refuses or declines to accept an election or to be installed, it is competent for the Master to declare that there has been no election, obtain a dispensation for an election and proceed to fill the vacancy thereat.

16. Installation is necessary in Masonic usage to consummate an election. Masonry does not require a brother to accept an office.

17. It is unmasonic for a Lodge to demand a fee of another Lodge which requests it to confer our degrees upon a candidate, unless the requesting Lodge suggests it. Such "work" is done, if at all, as a fraternal courtesy.

18. The Grand Lodge has supreme power under the Constitution over any matter which may concern the general welfare of the Craft, and so may adopt any measure, which will promote such welfare. (Art. III, Secs. 9 and 13.)

19. A resolution duly adopted has the force of a Regulation of this Grand Lodge. (Art. II, Sec. 4, Par. 3rd and Sec. 7.)

20. The action of this Grand Lodge prohibiting Lodges from charging affiliation fees, is not a decision so-called, but in fact a Regulation, and is of general rather than local concern. Its object is to bring into our membership as many non-affiliates as possible.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1907.

At the March quarterly the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized.

At the June quarterly a committee was appointed to consider the expediency of establishing a masonic home.

At the September quarterly the Grand Master of Arkansas was welcomed as a visitor; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; a number of interesting relics of Bro. John Paul Jones, obtained by a past grand master during a recent visit to Paris, were presented to the grand lodge; and a charter was granted.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 11th, M. . W. . J. A. Blake, Grand Master. One hundred and ninety lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-nine on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Membership fifty-two thousand, two hundred, and sixty; gain one thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-two. Receipts \$18,165.

The address is chiefly devoted to visitations and special communications; the committee on home reported favorably, and was continued; a new catalogue of curiosities was ordered; and a vote of sympathy was extended to a past grand master on account of recent bereavements.

The grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, with the great feast.

M. . W. . J. A. Blake, Malden, Grand Master, and R. . W. . S. D. Nickerson, Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, were reelected.

MICHIGAN, 1908.

The sixty-fourth annual communication was held at Jackson, May 26th and 27th, M. . W. . C. E. Sweet, Grand Master. Three hundred and ninety-six lodges represented; four hundred and five on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership fifty-eight thousand, five hundred, and forty-two; gain two thousand, five hundred, and thirty-two. Receipts \$31,223.17.

The deaths of Bro. M. H. Maynard and Bro. W. I. Babcock, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the two deceased brethren, with a group of the grand lodge officers.

A message of regrets was sent to Bro. Hugh McCurdy for the last time, the death of this well known craftsman occurring a few weeks later; the representatives were welcomed with an address by a live congressman; the annual message consisted of seventy pages of tedious details; thirty-one special dispensations to confer degrees within a lunar month were reported; why not dispense with the law itself? the twenty-five local rulings were all approved but one; the reports of the home showed fifty-three inmates, maintenance \$11,294.77; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; an appropriation of \$5,000 was made towards a hospital on the home grounds; the committee on monitor and ritual submitted a description of grand officers' jewels and numerous changes in the work, which were adopted, among them being a restoration of the word gloves instead of garments, an innovation of some years' standing; the conferring of degrees was limited to five candidates at one time; the standing resolution prohibiting electioneering for office was abolished; their senior past grand master was complimented, upon reaching his ninety-first birthday, with \$50 as a present; the grand lodge register was ordered continued with the addition of a perpetual index; the grand secretary was instructed to supply badges at future sessions; the special committee on foreign relations was discharged, having done nothing; a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master; and thanks were extended to the citizens generally for their hospitality.

The report on correspondence was prepared again by the grand secretary. Minnesota has two pages. He says:

Bro. A. O. Eberhart, grand orator, delivered an eloquent and scholarly address, which was ordered printed in the proceedings.

M. W. Herbert Montague, Traverse City, Grand Master; R. W. L. B. Winsor, Reed City, reelected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI, 1908.

The ninetieth annual communication was held at Hattiesburg, Feb. 11th and 12th, M. W. H. C. Yawn, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty lodges represented; three hundred and seventeen on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership fifteen thousand, seven hundred, and thirty-eight; gain twelve hundred and eighty-six. Receipts \$17,222.17.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a deceased member of the law committee. There is also a cut of the home at Meridian.

The address is of a local character, largely made up from the grand master's letter book, with nine rulings outside of the law committee; twenty-four decisions were handed down by the latter, none of general interest; another appropriation of \$1,500 was made to the home fund; eight charters and four dispensations were granted; the California relief fund was turned over to the home fund; the Washington peace resolutions were indorsed; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; a subscription of \$66.51 was taken up for the relief of Miss Birdie Wade; and thanks were extended for courtesies and attention and to the retiring grand master for his untiring zeal.

The corner stone of the masonic home at Meridian was laid June 24th, 1907, with appropriate ceremonies and a memorable address by Bro. Frederic Speed, past grand master and grand secretary. The building is now completed and ready for occupancy.

Bro. H. T. Howard was again the author of the report on foreign correspondence. The following paragraphs are taken from his fraternal review of Minnesota:

Bro. Owen Morris delivered the Oration on Masonry, a short but thoughtful address, from which we take the closing words.

Bro. Irving Todd, the correspondent, is a good condenser. We wonder if he has any patents on the automobile trade. In ninety-two pages he gives a report of the doings of fifty-seven grand bodies, Mississippi for 1906 among them. He calls Our Fred "one of the ablest of masonic jurists," which is a good Christmas gift for our beloved Bro. Speed, provided he reads this report.

M. W. E. J. Martin, Meridian, Grand Master; M. W. Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. T. Howard, Biloxi, committee on foreign correspondence.

MISSOURI, 1908.

The eighty-eighth annual communication was held at St. Louis, Sept. 29th and 30th, M. W. J. T. Short, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-five lodges represented; five hundred and ninety-three on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership forty-seven thousand, four hundred, and thirty; gain one thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-seven. Receipts \$49,936.59.

The deaths of Bro. J. B. Thomas and Bro. W. R. Stubblefield, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with a cut of the grand secretary's office and the McDowell monument.

The address was a brief local paper, with no decisions; the Grand Master of Tennessee was received with grand honors; the reports of the home show one hundred and fifty-six inmates, maintenance \$29,938.36; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. I. N. Evrard, grand orator; eight charters were granted; the revised by-laws were amended and adopted; legislation providing for the formation of masonic clubs was laid over until next year; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. R. E. Anderson was again the author of a readable

report on correspondence, from which we reproduce the following comments from under the head of Minnesota :

On the fly leaf we find a splendid half tone picture of Gustaf Widell, grand master, which indicates a man of strong personality. His address is a thorough business document. His exordium is short and so well worded that we copy it.

Thomas Montgomery, grand secretary, died at St. Paul, June 7th, 1907. He had been grand secretary since Oct. 14th, 1890. He was a man of zeal, ability, and untiring industry and devoted to the cause of masonry, and in his death masonry has lost one of its brightest lights.

It seems that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota recognizes the fact that there are such things as ancient landmarks, which we are glad to know.

Bro. A. O. Eberhart, grand orator, delivered an eloquent address, taking for his text, "Duty is the greatest of ideas, because it implies the idea of God, of the soul, of liberty, or responsibility, of immortality." We have space only for the following extract.

In the appendix we find the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Veteran Association, which we have read with much interest. The address of Bro. G. E. Satterlee, grand chaplain of the grand lodge, is full of wholesome instruction, and we regret having space only for the following extract.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, and is entertaining both in manner and matter. He reviews Missouri for 1907, in which he briefly outlines the important business transacted without comment.

Bro. Anderson holds that the grand lodges should never have meddled with the liquor question; that the work should be communicated in the good old way; that a masonic funeral should be strictly confined to masons; that dues can only be remitted for inability to pay; and that masonic sovereignty resides in the body of the craft. These opinions are sound and beyond controversy.

M.°. W.°. R. R. Kreeger, Kansas City, Grand Master;
R.°. W.°. J. R. Parson, St. Louis, reëlected Grand Secretary;
Bro. R. E. Anderson, Palmyra, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

M. . W. . C. L. Fulstone, Grand Master; C. N. Noteware reelected Grand Secretary; both of Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1907.

The fortieth annual communication was held at St. John, Aug. 27th and 28th, M. . W. . E. J. Everett, Grand Master. Twenty-three lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Four past grand masters present, our representative included.

Membership two thousand, four hundred, and eighty-four; gain one hundred and fifty-four. Receipts \$2,528.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

The address is largely devoted to obituaries and visitations; the original charter of St. George's Lodge No. 19, issued by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, Aug. 7th, 1789, was presented by a brother; the fund of benevolence was stated at \$4,308.07; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were recognized; a motion in favor of dependent membership was lost; a revised funeral service, based upon Webb, was adopted, although far inferior to the original; and \$1,000 was transferred to the benevolent fund, and \$200 placed in the hands of the grand master for the purposes of instruction.

M. . W. . J. S. D. Chipman, St. Stephen, Grand Master; V. . W. . J. T. Hartt, St. John, reappointed Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1908.

The one hundred and nineteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 20th, M. . W. . W. A. Plummer, Grand Master. Fifty-six lodges represented; seventy-nine on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, eight hundred, and seventy-seven; gain one hundred and fifty. Receipts \$8,756.12.

The death of Bro. J. H. Rowell, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, four deceased brethren, and a page group of the grand officers.

Address purely local, with four unimportant rulings; the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan were recognized; the committee on jurisprudence reported adversely upon dual and life membership; the California rebate was ordered returned to the contributors pro rata; a charter was granted for a new lodge; the usual lunch was served; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. H. M. Cheney prepared another well written report on foreign correspondence, in which Minnesota does not appear for some reason. Why did you not try a postal card:

M.'. W.'. F. W. Sawyer, Milford, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. F. D. Woodbury, Concord, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. M. Cheney, Lebanon, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW JERSEY, 1908.

The one hundred and twenty-first annual communication was held at Trenton, Apr. 22d and 23d, M.'. W.'. A. H. McGregor, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-two lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-one on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-eight thousand, four hundred, and seventy-five; gain eighteen hundred and eighty. Receipts \$29,064.45.

The death of Bro. C. A. Heydon, jr., grand pursuivant, was announced. He was the youngest of the grand lodge officers, and noted for his commanding height and genial presence.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Nearly nine pages of the address are filled with brief obituaries of past masters, who often receive scant attention in necrology reports; several distinguished brethren from adjoining jurisdictions were received with the grand honors; the report of the home shows seventy-four inmates, maintenance \$18,662.41; the two committees on ritual were made standing;

the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, the Grand Lodge Alpina, and the Grand Orient of the Netherlands were recognized; three warrants for new lodges were granted; a medal of 1794 was presented to the grand lodge; a new grand treasurer and grand secretary were elected, owing to the continued ill health of these old and efficient officers, their pensions being fixed at \$300 and \$1,500; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted as usual by Bro. R. A. Shirrefs, who has a fraternal page for Minnesota, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

As a conclusion to his excellent annual report—his eighteenth—Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery notes that this was the thirtieth consecutive annual communication. We have just learned of the sudden decease of this estimable brother in June, 1907, and sincerely condole with the officers of this grand lodge upon their bereavement.

Grand Orator Owen Morris delivered a thoughtful address, for which he received the thanks of grand lodge.

Bro. Irving Todd reviews the proceedings of sister jurisdictions and has scanned New Jersey for 1906, falling into no error as to our action in the matter of Washington or the Daniel Coxe memorial tablet.

The eight German grand lodges with which they are in fraternal communication are reviewed by Bro. Adolph Klee.

M. W. D. Wolfskeil, Elizabeth, Grand Master; M. W. B. F. Wakefield, Trenton, Grand Secretary; Bro. R. A. Shirrefs, Elizabeth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW MEXICO, 1907.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Carlsbad, Oct. 21st and 22d, M. W. A. N. Pratt, Grand Master. Twenty lodges represented; twenty-six on the roll. Six past grand masters present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership eighteen

hundred and twenty-two; gain one hundred and ninety-three. Receipts \$2,874.

Thirteen local rulings were reported; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; three charters were granted; an iron fence was ordered to be placed around the grave of Bro. Kit Carson at Taos; thanks were extended to the local lodge for many courtesies; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was transmitted by Bro. J. H. Wroth, who was not present. He reviews Minnesota for 1906, in which he says:

The report of the committee on correspondence, as usual from the pen of Bro. Irving Todd, devotes two pages to New Mexico. * * * Bro. Todd's review of the other grand lodges, while concise and truthful, contains too little of Todd, or rather of the opinions of Minnesota masons towards the other jurisdictions.

Bro. Wroth believes that any grand lodge should have a permanent home; that it is the duty of the lodge to make things pleasant for its members; that documentary evidence can never with safety supersede the time honored examination; and that the craze for legislating on every topic under the sun has led many jurisdictions into anomalous positions.

M. W. J. W. Willson, Roswell, Grand Master; R. W. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. H. Wroth, Albuquerque, committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1907.

A special was held in June, at which the grand officers were installed.

At the September quarterly the issuance of warrants for two new lodges and eighty-three dispensations were reported, forty-two for permission to wear regalia and four for the initiation of a Lewis.

At the December quarterly the issuance of fifty dispensa-

NEW YORK, 1908.

The one hundred and twenty-seventh annual communication was held at New York, May 5th, 6th, and 7th, M. W. Townsend Scudder, Grand Master. A constitutional number of lodges were reported as represented; seven hundred and seventy-nine on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges; one dispensation revoked. Membership one hundred and fifty-two thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-eight; gain six thousand, nine hundred, and two. Receipts \$189,191.67.

The deaths of Bro. Elbert Crandall, Bro. John Stewart, and Bro. W. A. Sutherland, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of two deceased brethren.

The address is a volume of itself, full of necrology, visitations, official transactions, statistics, and recommendations; the work of the grand historian is brought down to No. 173, with much valuable information, cuts of buildings, and other interesting details; the trustees of the hall and asylum fund report the beginning of work upon their annex, which is expected to cost \$1,200,000; the reports of the home show three hundred and forty-one inmates, maintenance \$94,650.28; the grand master was elected by ballot, the other officers by acclamation; the report of the judge advocate showed a number of questions considered and a continuation of the efforts to suppress clandestine masonry in that jurisdiction; the grand librarian announces the receipt of a large number of missing proceedings needed to perfect files, and claims that it is now the most complete masonic library in this country; the sermon delivered in Trinity Church by Bro. G. R. Van de Water was printed in the proceedings; a message of sympathy was transmitted to Bro. H. C. Potter, grand chaplain emeritus; five charters were granted; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and the Grand Lodge of Alberta were recognized; no action was taken upon the peace resolutions from the Grand Lodge of

Washington; the custodians of the work recommended that no change whatever be made; the committee on revision submitted the new constitution, which was printed in the proceedings, and is to be finally passed upon next year; the corner stone of the first masonic hall built in the city of New York was presented; an address was delivered by Bro. C. A. Barbour, past grand chaplain; the corner stone of the annex was laid; oil portraits of two past grand masters were received as gifts; and a resolution of sympathy was extended to a past grand master in his illness.

Bro. William Sherer prepared another brief report on foreign correspondence, the most valuable feature of which is the review of foreign grand lodges, by Bro. Emil Frenkel. Minnesota for 1907 has a page, with the following compliment:

W. Bro. Owen Morris delivered a thoughtful and excellent oration.

M.: W.: S. N. Sawyer, Palmyra, Grand Master; M.: W.: E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. William Sherer, New York, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1908.

The one hundred and twenty-first annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 14th, 15th, and 16th, M.: W.: F. D. Winston, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-three lodges represented; three hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative in the grand east.

Five dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered, and one restored. Membership eighteen thousand and eight; gain eleven hundred and seventy-three. Receipts \$13,309.63.

The death of Bro. B. W. Hatcher, grand lecturer since 1869, was announced.

"The portraits are of the grand master elect and the late grand lecturer.

The address is a brief local paper, with five unimportant rulings; the reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show three hundred and seventeen inmates, maintenance \$25,493.94; the temple committee reported the building about half completed; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; eight charters were granted; a duplicate jewel was ordered for a past grand master to replace one lost by fire; an able address was delivered by Bro. F. H. Busbee, grand orator; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. J. A. Collins, a well digested paper. He says of Minnesota:

The report on correspondence, although condensed within the limits of ninety-two pages, gives Bro. Irving Todd an opportunity of giving his brethren a delightful review of the grand lodges whose proceedings have come to his hands. The proceedings of North Carolina for 1906 receive very fraternal notice from Bro. Todd, and a summary of its important doings. We are glad to find that we are as one with Bro. Todd in our views on many subjects.

M. W. S. M. Gattis, Hillsboro, Grand Master; R. W. J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1908.

The nineteenth annual communication was held at Fargo, June 30th and July 1st, M. W. John Reissbeck, Grand Master. Seventy lodges represented; eighty-two on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, five hundred, and seventy-eight; gain six hundred and thirty-three. Receipts \$7,717.

The deaths of Bro. J. F. Selby and Bro. R. M. Carothers, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the grand treasurer, and the two past grand masters, with cuts of three lodge buildings, the grand lodge library, and a group of lodge secretaries.

Seven decisions were reported, the sixth being out of the usual order. A ballot upon a petition for the degrees was declared clear and the candidate elected. At the next regular meeting the ballot was attacked by the acting senior deacon as illegal, claiming that he saw a black ball in the box after the vote had been taken. This being ruled as insufficient, he then maintained that he cast it himself. The grand master decided that the intent of the brother must be considered, and pronounced the candidate rejected. This was properly disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence, who held that a ballot once spread, inspected, and declared is final, and cannot be attacked at a subsequent meeting by collateral evidence.

Seven charters were granted; the grand master was instructed to call a convention of lodge secretaries for the adoption of a uniform system of records and accounts; the form of lodge by-laws prepared by the grand secretary was approved; the grand secretary was authorized to distribute the list of regular lodges annually; the lodges were recommended not to receive a petition for membership or affiliation until the required data had been supplied; over payments of grand lodge dues were declared forfeited; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; the masonic home fund was transferred to a relief fund, in charge of three trustees, it not being deemed practical or even expedient to found a home; an appropriation of \$100 was made to print the able report of the grand secretary upon this subject in pamphlet form, instead of in the proceedings; a standing committee was appointed to award a grand lodge medal each year to the winner of the state oratorical contest; the indefinite suspension of a member of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Minnesota, for an assault upon a brother at Harvey, N. D., was sustained by the committee on grievances and appeals; the zones between adjacent lodges were modified by an amendment to the by-laws; the address of the grand master and report of the grand secretary were ordered printed in advance hereafter; and thanks were extended to the local lodge and railroads for courtesies, and to the retiring grand master for the able discharge of his duties.

There was no report on correspondence.

The convention of lodge secretaries was held at Fargo, Oct. 21st and 22d, with an attendance of thirty-nine. It was a very successful gathering, and the plan might be adopted in other jurisdictions with both pleasure and profit.

M.'. W.'. S. J. Hill, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. F. J. Thompson reëlected Grand Secretary; both of Fargo; Bro. J. W. Foley, Bismarck, fraternal correspondent.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1907.

The forty-second annual communication was held at Halifax, June 12th and 13th, M.'. W.'. C. R. Smith, Grand Master. Fifty-six lodges represented; sixty-six on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand and twenty; gain three hundred and five. Receipts \$6,-536.10.

The portraits are of the grand master and deputy grand master.

The usual attendance was had upon divine service, with an appropriate sermon by Bro. G. C. Wallis, grand chaplain; there is nothing of general interest in the address and eight decisions; the net receipt of the masonic fair for the benefit of the home were reported at \$17,406.02; a payment of \$1,000 was ordered made on the hall mortgage; two charters were granted, and one renewed; an interesting paper on the Legend of the Third Degree was read by Bro. J. M. Lawson; a donation of \$100 was made to Friendly Lodge No. 239, Kingston, to aid in rebuilding their hall; exclusive authority over military and naval applications was continued to Royal Standard Lodge, chartered by the Grand Lodge of England; past rank was conferred on six district deputies; and a service of plate was voted to the grand master for his valuable services.

The grand secretary submitted a carefully prepared report on correspondence, Minnesota not included.

M.'. W.'. C. R. Smith, Amherst, Grand Master, and R.'. W.'. Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary. were re-

ëlected; the latter was continued as committee on correspondence.

OHIO, 1908.

The ninety-ninth annual communication was held at Cincinnati, Oct. 21st and 22d, M. W. G. D. Copeland, Grand Master. Five hundred and eight lodges represented; five hundred and ten on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventy-two thousand, three hundred, and thirty-nine; gain three thousand, six hundred, and sixty. Receipts \$55,009.10.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a comprehensive presentation of the year's events, with nine local decisions; the revised code was reported as completed, with the exception of the index; a list of bogus lodges was given by the grand secretary, most of them extinct; among the visitors welcomed with the grand honors were the grand master of Indiana, the grand commander, the grand high priest, the grand master of the council, the Scottish Rites deputy, and the deputy grand master of the encampment, the shrine not represented; four charters were granted; the first volume of the grand lodge history was announced as ready for the printer, to be followed by two others; Bro. R. F. Gould and Bro. W. J. Hughan, of England, and Bro. W. J. Chetwode Crawley, of Ireland, were constituted honorary members; further time was granted to the committee on the S. S. Williams' monument; an appropriation of \$10,000 was made to the home funds; the White Shrine of Jerusalem was denied the use of masonic halls; the jurisprudence committee were not ready to report upon the petition of Justin Pinney for reinstatement; the grand secretary was given \$50 per month for clerical assistance; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; thanks were returned to the local masons for their zealous and elaborate entertainment; a Methodist bishop, who has been a mason more than fifty years, was introduced; and the reports of the

home show one hundred and sixty inmates, expenditures \$54,-091.91.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veterans' Association at its thirty-seventh annual convention were briefly reported.

Bro. W. M. Cunningham prepared another elaborate report on foreign correspondence, the three honorary members contributing their usual quota to the introduction. Of Minnesota he writes as follows:

The annual address of the Grand Master is a business paper of twenty-three pages.

The Grand Secretary R. W. Bro. John Fishel, submits a very complete report of all matters pertaining to the grand secretariate.

On the first day of the annual communication the grand orator, W. Bro. A. O. Eberhart delivered "an eloquent and scholarly address."

R. W. Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, submitted his usual very complete and concise review of the printed proceedings of sixty-three grand bodies in an interesting paper of one hundred pages. * * * A courteous, fraternal review is extended to the proceedings of Ohio for 1907.

M. W. C. S. Hoskinson, Zanesville, Grand Master; R. W. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OKLAHOMA, 1908.

The sixteenth annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 11th and 12th, M. W. Earl Beebe, Grand Master. It appears to have been an informal session, with no committee on credentials and no report of those present.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges. No statistics of membership. Receipts \$8,636.05.

The death of Bro. Charles Day, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the retiring grand secretary, and the late past grand master.

Twenty local rulings were reported, with a number of special dispensations to confer degrees without regard to statutory time, to appear in public in masonic clothing, and to elect masters from the floor; Bro. J. S. Hunt, grand secretary since the organization of the grand lodge, was made honorary grand secretary for life, with a salary of \$75 per month and the title of most worshipful, as a reward for faithful services of seventeen years; thirteen charters were granted; the master mason's degree was conferred the first evening; the home fund was reported at \$34,771.53, and an appropriation of \$5,000 was made from the general fund; the grand master was authorized to appoint a special committee to go with him to the next session of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and agree upon a plan of consolidation; an appropriation of \$100 was made to an aged brother, who has been a mason more than fifty years; the by-laws were amended to provide for a representative of the grand master to preside at lodge trials, when demanded; recognition was extended to Saskatchewan, Western Australia, and Alberta; the District of Columbia bicentenary and the Washington peace resolutions were pigeonholed; resolutions prohibiting dancing at any lodge entertainment were laid over until next year; thanks were returned for courtesies; and the grand secretary was instructed to issue a compilation of the constitution, by-laws, and decisions at once.

A report on foreign correspondence was begun by Bro. W. M. Anderson, but the machine ran down at Louisiana. It is largely made up of quotations.

M.°. W.°. D. D. Hoag, Anadarko, Grand Master; M.°. W.°. W. M. Anderson, Waurika, Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OREGON, 1908.

The fifty-eighth annual communication was held at Portland, June 10th, 11th, and 12th, M.°. W.°. L. L. Pearce, Grand Master. Ninety-six lodges represented; one hundred and

is concerned, neither has the liberal interpretation of its grand lodge upon the point of eligibility.

Bro. Hodson is taking up the masonic home project with all the zeal of a young convert. While wishing him success in the undertaking, we are still inclined to the opinion that it will be found an expensive luxury.

M. W. E. E. Kiddle, Island City, Grand Master; B. W. J. F. Robinson, Portland, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1907.

At the March quarterly an appropriation of \$40,000 was made for renovating Gothic Hall; a petition for a new lodge was referred to the grand officers; and Bro. J. A. Perry was appointed deputy grand secretary.

At the June quarterly petitions for two new lodges were referred to the grand officers, and the death of Bro. S. B. Dick, past grand master, was announced.

At the September quarterly two petitions for new lodges were referred to the grand officers.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected; the committee on library reported the completion of the reprint, twelve volumes; and the death of Bro. T. R. Patton, grand treasurer since 1873, was announced.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, R. W. G. W. Kendrick, jr., Grand Master. One hundred and sixteen lodges represented; four hundred and sixty-four on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Membership seventy-nine thousand, four hundred, and forty-two; gain four thousand, one hundred, and sixty-nine. Receipts \$124,277.33.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

Twenty decisions were reported, among which were that a petitioner becomes a member when he receives the first degree, and is chargeable with dues; that an alien may become

a mason, but must not be elected master; and that an entered apprentice losing his right hand cannot be advanced.

The California refund of \$11,200 was placed in an emergency relief fund; the T. R. Patton last bequest was reported at \$1,040,735, to be expended in a masonic institution for boys; a loving cup and gavel was presented to the retiring grand master; and addresses were made by distinguished brethren from Delaware and New Jersey.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. J. M. Lamberton in genuine Pennsylvania style, the following paragraphs being a fair sample:

The address of the grand master gives a full account of his stewardship, showing an efficient grand officer. He was diligent in visiting the lodges, which seems to be a new thing in Minnesota.

The "grand oration" was delivered this year by Bro. Owen Morris, and is given in full in the appendix. * * * We wonder in just how many "well regulated grand lodges" this "ancient custom" is observed?

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is by the chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Irving Todd, who has, as usual, prepared an excellent paper, giving a succinct summary of the views of his brother chairmen.

If the writer ever presided over a grand lodge the fact has entirely escaped his recollection.

In several reviews the following is noted:

As these proceedings contain the record of the election and installation of the new grand master, his portrait naturally and properly forms the frontispiece.

In this statement we beg leave to differ. It should appear the year he actually presides over the grand lodge.

R. W. G. B. Orlady, Huntingdon, Grand Master; R. W. W. A. Sinn, Philadelphia, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Lamberton, Harrisburg, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

At the September quarterly a brief address was delivered by the grand master and the financial reports of the past year submitted. There were fifty-two lodges, with a membership of fifteen hundred and ninety-four. Receipts £1,195.

At the December quarterly it was reported that one of the lodges under the Scottish constitution had been granted a warrant as No. 53; the annual ball was stated a financial success; and rules and regulations for the government of the proposed widows, orphans, and aged masons institution were submitted.

At the March quarterly the death of Bro. J. C. Remington, past grand master of New South Wales, was announced, a great loss to the craft in Australasia; the rules and regulations of their charitable institution were adopted.

A special communication was held in June for the nomination of grand officers, and at the June quarterly a petition for a new lodge was recommended, and grand officers elected.

M. W. Lord Chelmsford reelected Grand Master; V. W. C. H. Harley, Grand Secretary; both of Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND, 1908.

At the semi-annual communication the California refund was ordered distributed to the contributors; the reprinting of the early proceedings was referred to a special committee; an appropriation of \$50 was made to Friendly Lodge No. 239, Jamaica, to assist in rebuilding their hall; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; and the past master's degree was ordered to be omitted from the installation ceremony, but to be conferred or communicated after the close. This so-called degree from time immemorial has been held as an essential part of the ceremony of installing a master; if not given then, why give at all?

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Providence, May 18th, M. W. A. H. Armington, Grand Master. Thirty-two lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six thousand, nine hundred, and twenty; gain two hundred and two. Receipts \$3,996.50.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A somewhat lengthy address was submitted, pertaining to local matters; an appropriation of \$200 was made to the library for binding; the Webb monument was ordered replaced with western granite; a constitutional amendment was adopted providing that dimits shall only be granted at a regular communication, and upon written application; a note mentions that the chairman of the committee on credentials had served twenty-eight years in that position and thirty-nine as a member of the committee; and a jewel and apron were voted to the retiring grand master.

M. W. W. L. Chatterton, Pawtucket, Grand Master;
R. W. S. P. Williams, Providence, reelected Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1907.

The first annual communication was held at Prince Albert, June 18th, M. W. H. H. Campkin, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges represented; twenty-four on the roll.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirteen hundred and sixty; gain three hundred and eighteen. Receipts \$1,489.69.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a comprehensive presentation of official acts, with three local rulings; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$600; the rank of past district deputy was conferred on four brethren; eleven charters were granted, one dispensation continued, and one withdrawn; the subordinate lodges were recommended to attend divine service, in a body, at least once a year, and the committee should have added without applying to the grand master for a dispensation; a special committee was appointed to revise the book of constitutions, and another to arrange with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba for their share of the funds; it was resolved that no dispensation be issued until the next annual meeting for other than to con-

tions continued; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized, and Paraguay, Greece, Chili, Columbia, Mexico, and Switzerland turned down; an article of the constitution was suspended in order to go into the election of officers; the installation was held on the entered apprentice degree; the grand master and grand treasurer were authorized, in their discretion, to turn over surplus funds to the home; and a testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary presented his second report on foreign correspondence, which received the hearty approval of the committee, and undoubtedly will of its many readers at home and abroad. We quote the following from the review of Minnesota for 1907:

Our representative submits another interesting correspondence report, without an introduction or conclusion.

We are informed that R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, grand secretary, died in St. Paul on the 7th day of June. We thus lose another faithful craftsman, who always fought intelligently for what he considered right.

The prohibition fad is thus alluded to, under Arkansas:

The grand master and a majority of the jurisprudence committee held that it is not unlawful for a brother to keep books for a wholesale liquor and cigar company, where he has nothing to do with the sales, and even does much of his work at home. But the minority of the committee and the grand lodge held otherwise, and even included "the porter who hauls the coal to the man whose money is invested." What an excellent illustration of the absurdity of this class of legislation. Why not extend the ban to the farmer who will not sell his grain until he knows it will not be made into liquor, and the merchant who sells the furniture for the dealer's office?

Again, under Delaware:

The new temperance legislation fad was rejected by a large majority. Good for Delaware. That's not the way to keep out the unworthy.

And under Missouri:

Grand Master Houston reported that his most serious troubles arose over the liquor question. In conformity to the grand lodge

regulations he held that a wholesale liquor dealer is eligible to receive the degrees, but that a mason who engages in the saloon business must be expelled. How inconsistent, if not absurd. The greater the amount of liquor sold, the less the offense. Once more we say, keep out the unworthy by the ballot.

M. W. J. L. Michie, Darlington, Grand Master; R. W. J. T. Barron, Columbia, reelected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1908.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at Mitchell, June 9th, 10th, and 11th, M. W. W. E. Milligan, Grand Master. Seventy-six lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present, our representative included.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, one hundred, and ninety-six; gain five hundred and twenty-one. Receipts \$6,815.19.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with page groups of past grand masters and past masters of a local lodge.

The address is a practical business paper, with eleven local rulings; a special committee was appointed to prepare and print a monitor; the grand secretary was instructed to issue a corrected edition of the by-laws; the grand master was empowered to change the date of meeting in cases of emergency; the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico and the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan were recognized; thanks were returned to the local lodge for their entertainment; five charters were granted; the annual call was made by a delegation from the grand chapter, O. E. S.; and the eighth annual reunion was held by the veteran association.

The report on correspondence was presented by Bro. S. A. Brown, now deputy grand master, and it is a good one. The following are found in the review of Minnesota:

Grand orator O. A. Eberhart discoursed upon The Duties of a Mason.

Bro. Irving Todd condensed the news of the masonic world into

hundred and forty-three on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership forty-one thousand, seven hundred, and thirty-six; gain two thousand, six hundred, and ten. Receipts \$31,547.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

The address is a bulky document of over thirty pages, with upwards of ninety local rulings, some of them reading rather strangely at long range. He held that saloon keeping and tending bar is not a masonic offense; that in case of the subsequent death of one of the recommending brethren, another master mason must sign the petition to make it regular and legal; that in the discovered shortage of \$24.65 by a former secretary, part for fees and part for dues, the latter might be remitted, but not the other; that a past master loses his rank by affiliation with another lodge; that a lodge has no right to confer degrees on St. John's Day; that in a town with two lodges, a candidate must apply to the nearest; and that in stopping an entered apprentice from advancement it is not necessary or proper to prefer charges.

Fraternal greetings were sent to two past grand masters, absent through physical infirmities; the reports of the home show one hundred and seventy-six inmates, expenditures \$38,345.19; twenty-two charters were granted, and six restored; nineteen of the grand master's rulings were disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence; the special committee on proposed home for aged masons reported adversely; subordinate lodges were prohibited from using the halls of other societies for masonic purposes; another batch of rulings were disapproved by the committee on grand officers' reports; the revision of Taylor's Monitor by Bro. S. R. Hamilton was approved and recommended for use; the rebate from California relief was turned over to the widows and orphans' home, with \$30,000 from the general fund; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. T. M. Matthews submitted his usual report on foreign

correspondence for which he received an appropriation of \$350, and earned it. The following paragraphs are reproduced from the fraternal review of Minnesota for 1907:

We are pleased to note that in every instance he (Morris) refused to set aside the law to allow the conferring of degrees out of time, or upon the halt, the lame, or the blind. Of decisions he reported seven, which being simply constructions of the local law, need no comment from us.

As an appendix we are treated to a most excellent and instructive address by the grand orator, Bro. Owen Morris. It is brief, pointed, and pithy, and far better than such addresses usually are.

There are given also the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association. This is a social organization, and is somewhat similar in character to the Annual Feast of St. John the Evangelist, kept by our Massachusetts brethren.

From the hands of Bro. Irving Todd we have another of his excellent reports on foreign correspondence. It fills ninety-two pages, and is a review of all the volumes that during the year had come to his table, among which was Texas, 1906, to which he gives a one and one-half page notice. He briefly, as of course he must do in so little space, summarizes what he thinks will most interest his readers.

Bro. Matthews believes in simplicity in conferring the degrees; that a mason who is able to pay his dues, and does not, is unfit to bear the name; that it is neither proper nor masonic to either have, make, or use a cipher ritual at any time, or under any circumstances, by anybody; that lodge meetings should not be held on Sunday; that we are making masons too fast, and that it is time to call a halt; that visitation is not a right, but a privilege; and that if all men were good and true masons there would be no more war.

M.°. W.°. W. L. Moore, Wichita Falls, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. John Watson, Waco, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

UTAH, 1908.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, Jan. 21st and 22d, M.°. W.°. W. J. Barrette, Grand

Master. The twelve lodges all represented. Twelve past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership fourteen hundred and forty-three; gain one hundred. Receipts \$2,662.98.

The death of Bro. J. F. Hardie, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the late past grand master.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were recognized and fraternal relations resumed with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg; it was recommended that the grand lodge join in the bi-centenary celebration of 1917; the use of postal cards was restricted to festival invitations and notices of lodge meetings; all names were ordered omitted from published reports of the committee on grievances; the jurisprudence committee correctly held that an entered apprentice who had lost both legs since initiation should be advanced just as though no accident had occurred; type written copies of the monitorial lectures were ordered to be furnished each lodge; an appropriation of \$175 was made towards the salary of the assistant grand secretary, and \$100 for a typewriter; thanks were returned for the use of the hall and other courtesies; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; and a banquet was served.

The grand secretary submitted another of his admirable reports on foreign correspondence, with a courteous review of Minnesota for 1907. He says the address of the grand master is a straight business document from beginning to end, and that if there ever was a farce in masonry it is that past master's degree. It is an undisputed fact, however, that the ceremony peculiar to the installation of a master elect is as old as the office itself.

M.'. W.'. J. H. Brown, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. Christopher Diehl reelected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

VERMONT, 1908.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Burlington, June 10th and 11th, M. W. C. A. Calderwood, Grand Master. Eighty-eight lodges represented; one hundred and three on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twelve thousand and seventy-eight; gain three hundred and four. Receipts \$8,022.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is largely compiled from the official letter book, of little interest outside of the jurisdiction; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; lodges were recommended not to admit a visitor without the presentation of documentary evidence; and the trustees were requested to have the liability of the grand lodge to taxation passed upon by the supreme court.

Bro. M. O. Perkins presented another well prepared report on foreign correspondence, with no reference to Minnesota.

M. W. L. S. Tillotson, St. Albans, Grand Master; R. W. H. H. Ross, Burlington, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

VIRGINIA, 1908.

The one hundred and thirtieth annual communication was held at Richmond, Feb. 11th, 12th, and 13th, M. W. S. J. Quinn, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-one lodges represented; two hundred and ninety-five on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership eighteen thousand, seven hundred, and forty-nine; gain eight hundred and twenty-four. Receipts \$18,196.50.

The deaths of Bro. R. E. Withers, Bro. R. T. Craighill, and Bro. W. H. Lambert, past grand masters, and Bro. W.

C. Wilkinson, grand tyler for a quarter of a century, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the three past grand masters.

There is nothing new in the thirty rulings reported; the temple debt was stated at \$47,500; four charters were granted, and three dispensations continued; no action was taken on the Washington peace resolutions; the grand treasurer was authorized to charge fifty cents for affixing the grand lodge seal to a diploma, but what business has that officer with it anyway; paintings of the two patron saints were presented by a worshipful master, the work of his father; recognition was extended to Saskatchewan and Queensland; an interesting history of St. John's Lodge No. 36 is given as an appendix; and the reports of the home state maintenance at \$9,668.68, but not the number of inmates.

The report on foreign correspondence was written by the grand master elect, whom we are glad to see still heads the committee, notwithstanding the added responsibilities now devolving upon him. He says:

The grand master's address plunged into business so quickly as to leave us little to quote.

Bro. Irving Todd reviewed Virginia, 1906. He summarizes in most condensed form, and gives our views, but fails to comment as much as we could wish.

To the best of our recollection Virginia has had a full share of comment in the past five or six years.

We do not agree with Bro. Eggleston in his definition of the word *congregate*. It refers to the assembling of the brethren for a meeting, not to the mere act of calling the lodge to order. See review of Maryland.

Neither do we think a grand lodge should lay the corner stone of a bank or any other building not intended solely for public purposes.

M. W. J. W. Eggleston, Grand Master; R. W. G. W. Carrington reelected Grand Secretary; both of Richmond.

WASHINGTON, 1908.

The fifty-first annual communication was held at Tacoma, June 16th, 17th, and 18th, M. W. R. C. McAllaster, Grand Master. One hundred and forty-nine lodges represented; one hundred and fifty-one on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Ten dispensations for new lodges, two of them in Alaska; one charter surrendered. Membership twelve thousand, two hundred, and thirty-seven; gain thirteen hundred and thirty-four. Receipts, \$12,542.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a readable presentation of affairs masonic in that jurisdiction, with two local rulings; a telegram of greetings was sent to the aged grand chaplain, absent by reason of infirmities; a past deputy grand master of 1861 was kindly welcomed; the grand lodge was called to refreshment while a special deputy laid a corner stone in another town; an address on Brotherly Love was delivered by Bro. H. R. Coleman, but not printed; the Traveling Trowel was received by a local lodge the first evening; ten district deputies were provided for; a programme was adopted for the celebration of their semi-centennial at Olympia, Dec. 7th and 8th, with an appropriation of \$2,000 for expenses; the prohibition legislation was amended so as not to apply to masons who were in the liquor business prior to June 1st, 1897; the real property of the grand lodge was placed in charge of the finance committee; an eloquent address was delivered by Bro. W. H. Acuff, grand orator, deserving of general circulation among the craft; Saskatchewan and Queensland were recognized; the proposed purchase of a home site was vetoed by the finance committee; ten charters were granted; a banquet was served by one of the local lodges; a grand historian was provided for; several pioneer masons of territorial days were fraternally greeted; a past grand master of Iowa was cordially received as a visitor; the proposition of an advisory committee consisting of all past grand masters of ten years' standing was re-

ferred to the finance committee, to report next year; thanks were tendered the local brethren for courtesies; a resolution limiting representation in the grand lodge to the grand officers, past grand masters, and lodge representatives was referred to a special committee, with a year to consider it; a committee was appointed to make arrangements for the reception of visiting brethren at the Seattle exposition; and a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master.

An interesting and valuable report on correspondence was again presented by Bro. S. J. Chadwick, with a two page review of Minnesota, in which he says:

Grand Master Gustav Widell submits purely a business document for his annual address; a simple statement devoid of rhetoric and philosophy.

This jurisdiction suffered the loss of its efficient grand secretary on June 7th, 1907. He was buried with the honors of the fraternity. He had served in the office of grand secretary for thirty years. He was deeply loved by his brethren. His life was an inspiration; his death was untimely, but his work has been well done.

A scholarly oration was delivered by Bro. A. O. Eberhart. It is worthy of reproduction, but, of course, our space will not permit. The following is an evidence of its elevated tone.

Bro. Irving Todd submits a report on correspondence of less than one hundred pages, in which he manages to get in a deal of comment. * * * Bro. Todd epitomizes everything of interest occurring in our last report. * * * We regret that Bro. Todd is not allowed greater space by his grand lodge.

There is no limit to our space, as we have all that the writer cares to use. Neither does any one know how many pages the report will fill, being necessarily written in piecemeals, until the forms are finally made up.

Bro. Chadwick is of the opinion that it is fitting and proper for the brethren to attend church in a body on St. John's Day, but without masonic clothing; that a grand lecturer should be the last to encourage the cipher; that jurisdiction cannot be waived over a profane; that a grand lodge should not be convened to receive a traveling trowel; that a sojourning mason can be tried for the commission of any act proscribed by the

grand lodge by-laws; that surety bonds are so drawn about with conditions as to provide ample excuse for non-payment; that it won't be long before a mason who expects to travel in foreign countries will have to devote a week to his credentials; and that a non-affiliate becomes such because he has no real love for masonry.

M. W. R. A. Gove, Grand Master; R. W. H. W. Tyler reelected Grand Secretary; both of Tacoma; Bro. S. J. Chadwick, Colfax, committee on correspondence.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1907.

The forty-third annual communication was held at Parkersburg, Nov. 13th and 14th, M. W. T. G. Strickler, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-one lodges represented; one hundred and thirty-four on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eleven thousand, seven hundred, and seventy-eight; gain seven hundred and ninety-one. Receipts \$8,912.39.

The death of Bro. George Davis, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the grand chaplain.

The address is a detailed presentation of local matters, with two rulings called out by their recent prohibition legislation; recognition was extended to Valle de Mexico and Saskatchewan, fraternal relations were resumed with Hamburg, and declined with Greece, Brazil, Paraguay, and Chili; a committee was appointed to receive propositions for the location of the temple; the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction was reaffirmed; a banquet was served by the local lodge; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$900, and of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence to \$300; \$200 was appropriated for the annual banquet, a raise of \$50; four charters were granted; and a vote of thanks was tendered to the local brethren for their entertainment.

The report on foreign correspondence was again submitted by the grand secretary, with over five pages given to a comprehensive review of Minnesota for 1907, from which the following quotations are taken :

Four half tone cuts embellish the volume for this year of the grand lodge proceedings of Minnesota; one of Thomas Morris, grand master, who advertises that "he's a shriner" by the crescent and sword pin on the lapel of his coat.

The annual address of the grand master was a short business document, devoid of "frills and flounces," in which he rendered a terse account of his year's stewardship.

This was the thirtieth consecutive annual communication at which Bro. Montgomery officiated either as grand or assistant grand secretary. He said in the preliminary remarks of his report that he had "been favored by a kind Providence with better health during the past year than for many previous years, and therefore have been able to give to the duties of my office a full share of time and energy as it was possible," no doubt not contemplating that this was his last and final report, as it really was, for on the 7th of June, 1907, his gentle spirit took its flight, his labors on earth were ended.

Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, "delivered a thoughtful address," which is published with the proceedings.

The creditable report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, and the amount of information and masonic reading that he has squeezed into its ninety-two pages shows that no mistake is made either in his many re-appointments on the committee, or his selection as the writer of the review of the several grand lodges. West Virginia meets with fraternal and brotherly treatment in a review of nearly three pages in length of our 1905 proceedings.

Bro. Howard does not believe in the past master's degree; neither do we as it is practiced in West Virginia.

M.°. W.°. J. A. Bryan, Parkersburg, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. H. R. Howard, Point Pleasant, reëlected Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN, 1908.

The sixty-fourth annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 9th, 10th, and 11th, M.°. W.°. S. M. Marsh,

Grand Master. Two hundred and forty-one lodges represented; two hundred and fifty-seven on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership, twenty-three thousand, nine hundred, and seventy-four; gain, one thousand. Receipts, \$12,890.

The deaths of Bro. G. W. Washburn and Bro. Myron Reed, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the two deceased brethren.

The address was a very readable paper, far above the average; fifty-two special dispensations were issued to waive constitutional provisions, at \$5 per; it is hoped that the monetary consideration is not the reason for retaining them; eight local rulings were submitted, one failing of approval; the revised constitution, code, and ritual was adopted; two charters and one dispensation were granted; an appropriation of \$500 was made to the committee on revision; a jewel was presented to a past grand master; and a letter of sympathy forwarded to another not present.

Bro. Aldro Jenks prepared another excellent report on foreign correspondence, of which Minnesota fills two pages. He objects to the dispensation permitting a lodge to reinstate a dying brother at a special communication as a mischievous precedent, forgetting that we have a still worse one on record. The rulings are commended, but not the practice of promotions in elections, although Wisconsin does the same. Still maintains that the presence of a charter is a modern innovation, not found in the ancient constitutions. Of course not, for the reason that none had ever been issued. When the need of such a document became apparent, the requirement of its presence at lodge meetings naturally followed.

Bro. Jenks holds that a lodge is hardly justified in fixing its dues at \$1 per annum, a fact which our own lodge has discovered and rectified; that changing the grand master every year has a tendency to bring political methods into the grand lodge, and we are not going to dispute that point with a Wisconsin past grand master; that the publication of a cipher is

a most flagrant violation of masonic obligations; that a masonic lodge has no place in a funeral conducted by some other organization; that it is not well for masons, as such, to organize mutual benefit societies; that masonry is a religion without a creed; that documentary evidence is entirely unnecessary and contrary to the time honored customs of the fraternity; and that a masonic home is not an essential part of the paraphernalia of a grand lodge.

M. W. J. E. Durgin, Racine, Grand Master; R. W. W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

WYOMING, 1908.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at Sheridan, Sept. 2d, M. W. F. S. King, Grand Master. Twenty-two lodges represented; twenty-five on the roll. Three past grand masters present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, two hundred, and sixty-eight; gain one hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$2,998.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Seven local decisions were reported; the home fund was stated at \$1,634; three charters were granted; an amendment to the by-laws requires a residence of twelve months in the jurisdiction before reception of a petition for the degrees; lodges were prohibited from receiving a petition from or conferring the degrees upon any one engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors; thanks were returned to the local lodge for their hospitable entertainment; the committee on appeals and grievances was made a standing committee; lodge secretaries were required to issue certificates of good standing to members upon payment of dues; the by-laws were amended so that brethren may apply to another lodge for affiliation without first obtaining a dimit; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by the

grand secretary, his twenty-third. It is a creditable effort. The following extracts are taken from the review of Minnesota :

Thus another honored and revered grand secretary died in the harness, and we extend to his family, friends, and the masons of Minnesota our sincere sympathies in the great loss they have sustained.

We notice that the grand lodge voted and decided not to build a masonic home, but has directed the incorporation of such project outside of the grand lodge. Unless the latter has and can at all times completely control such corporation it had better drop the whole business like a hot potato, as a few precedents are not very encouraging along lines of grand lodge protection.

Bro. Irving Todd has another of his valuable reports in the proceedings, in which he does not fail to notice Wyoming in a favorable way.

Bro. Kuykendall maintains that a lodge cannot waive jurisdiction over a profane without permission of the grand master; that grand lodge recognition should precede visitation or affiliation; that the fellow craft should wear his apron with the corner turned up; that the right of objection is inherent in every member; and that documentary evidence is an absolute necessity.

M. W. M. P. Wheeler, Casper, Grand Master; R. W. W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, reelected Grand Secretary.

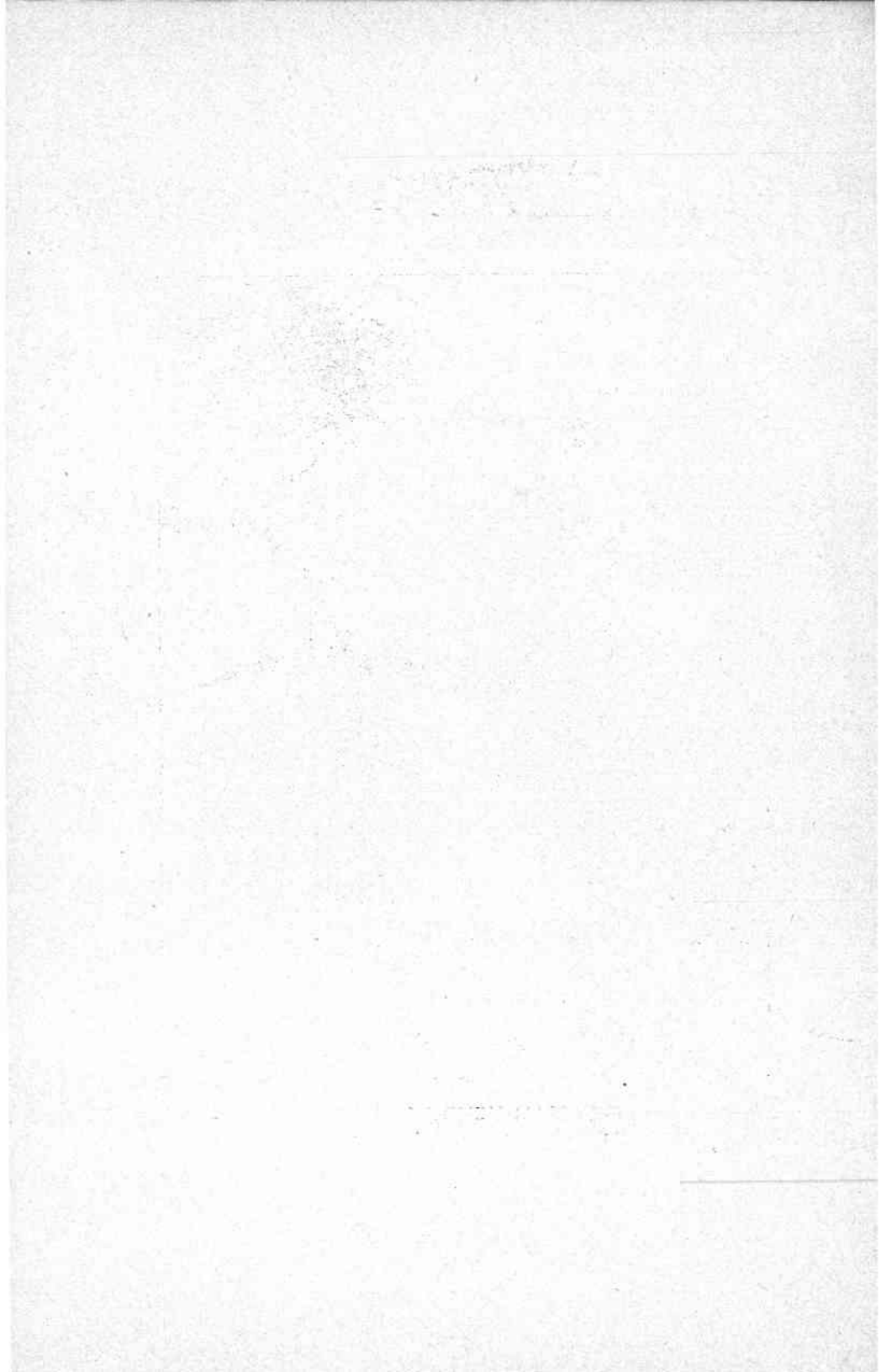
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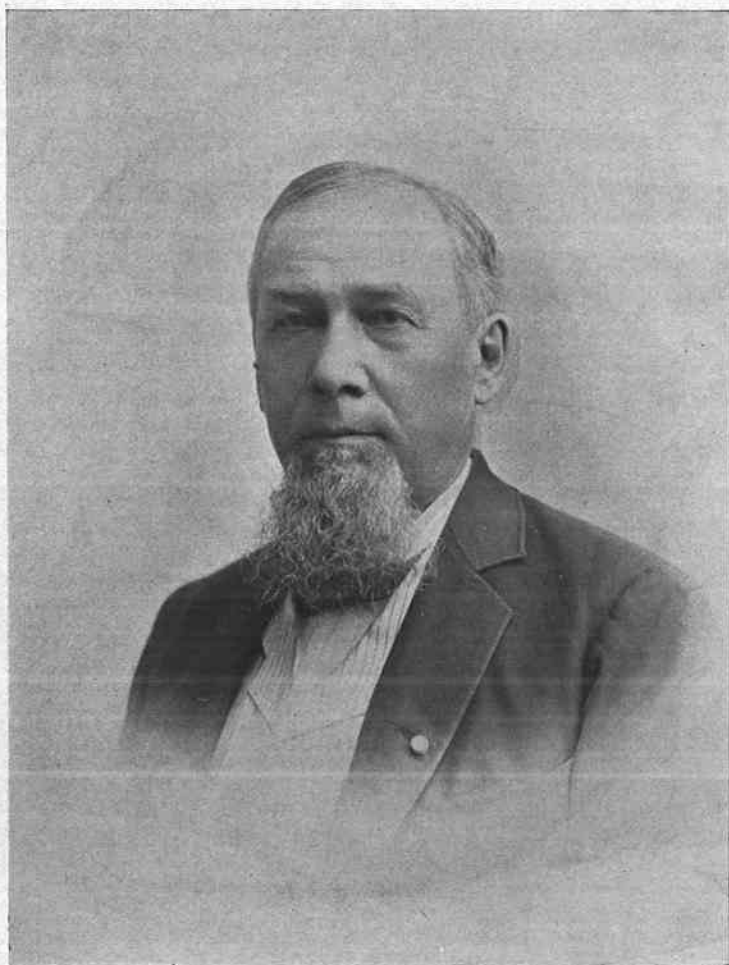
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WILLIAM HENRY GRANT,
Worshipful Master of St. Paul Lodge No. 3, in the years
1867-1868-1869-1871 and 1880.
Historian of Masonic Veteran Association from
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(Fifty or more years Master Masons.)

John Francis Martin, 1845.	James King Miller, 1856.
William Henry Hoit, 1847.	Paul Miller, 1856.
John Niven, 1850.	Charles Fowler Warner, 1856.
Giles Wm. Merrill, 1850.	William Henry Norris, 1856.
William Pitt Murray, 1853.	Edward White Durant, 1857.
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William Penn McCormack, 1853.	David Bronson, 1857.
James Abell, 1853.	Edwin Searle Beck, 1857.
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George W. Prescott, 1854.	Samuel J. Prentiss, 1857.
James M. D. Craft, 1854.	Lysander Cook, 1857.
John Burroughs Cook, 1854.	John W. Sutherland, 1857.
Wm. Solomon Combs, 1854.	George D. McArthur, 1857.
Frederick Kroeger, 1854.	James Orrin Weld, 1857.
Joseph Bergfeld, 1854.	Marcus Jacob Katzky, 1857.
Robert P. Crozier, 1854.	Wm. Morrow May, 1857.
Joseph Reif, 1855.	Joseph A. Pierson, 1858.
Charles John Kruger, 1855.	Horace A. Towne, 1858.
Benjamin F. Hartshorn, 1855.	William E. Baker, 1858.
*Hiram W. Dockendorff, 1855.	Henry Pratt Upham, 1858.
*Ara D. Sprague, 1856.	Edgar Nash, (Jan. 8) 1859.

*Deceased.

The Eigieenth Annual Reunion will be held Wednesday even-
 ing, Jan. 19, 1910.

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION.

FIRST SESSION.

Pursuant to regular notices mailed to all of our active members, and our resident honorary members, the first session of the Seventeenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, was held at Masonic Hall, in St. Paul, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 19th, at 8 o'clock p. m. The officers present were:

Bro. Thos. C. Clark, of Stillwater, President;

Bro. Wm. P. Murray, of St. Paul, First Vice President;

Bro. John W. Eddy, of Morris, Second Vice President;

Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, of St. Paul, Treasurer;

Bro. Giles W. Merrill, of St. Paul, Secretary; and also about a dozen of the Members.

The minutes of the last annual session, Jan. 21 and 22, 1908, having been printed, were not read. The minutes of the special meetings of Board of Directors, held since the Annual Session of 1908, were read and approved.

Those meetings were held on Feb. 18th, April 14th, May 8th, Dec. 15th and Dec. 31st.

At those several meetings six brethren were elected to active membership.

(See Roster Nos. 668 to 673.)

At the meeting on Feb. 18th, Bro. Ara David Sprague, of Caledonia Lodge No. 20, was elected to honorary membership, having been a Mason for more than 50 years. And on May 8th, Bro. Robert P. Crozier, of Monticello Lodge No. 16, was elected to honorary membership under the same provision of the constitution.

Petitions for active membership were received from eight eligi-

ble brethren, with the constitutional fees; and they were duly elected. (See Roster Nos. 674 to 681 inclusive.)

A petition for honorary membership was received from Bro. Wm. Henry Norris, a member of Ark Lodge No. 176, of Minneapolis, and he was duly elected, having been more than fifty years a Master Mason.

A bill from Easton & Masterman, of Stillwater, for postal card notices and tickets for feast, amounting to \$17.00, was read and ordered paid.

Bros. Andrew P. Swanstrom and Wm. H. Harries were appointed a committee to audit the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary.

No other business appearing, adjourned.

Receipts, \$40.00.

GILES W. MERRILL,
Secretary.

SECOND SESSION.

Jan. 20, 1909.

Pursuant to adjournment the second session of the Seventeenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association was held in the "Blue Room" of Masonic Hall, at St. Paul, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 20th, at 8 o'clock p. m. Those present were:

Bro. Thos. C. Clark, President;

Bro. Wm. Pitt Murray, First Vice President;

Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President;

Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer;

Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, and about one hundred and sixty of the members.

The minutes of the session on Tuesday evening, the 19th, were read and approved.

The Secretary then read his seventeenth annual report, as follows:

St. Paul, Jan. 1st, 1909.

To the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota.

Brethren: I fraternally submit my seventeenth annual report as Secretary of the Association, showing membership, receipts, disbursements, etc., for the year 1908.

Jan. 1.	Active members of our Ass'n.....	522	
	Added during the year 1908	32	
		554	
	Died and not before reported.....	16	
Jan. 1, 1909.	Total number active members.....	538	538
Jan. 1, 1908.	Honorary members	25	
	Added during the year	2	
		27	
	Died during the year	3	
Jan. 1, 1909.	Honorary members Jan., 1909.....	24	24
Jan. 1, 1909.	Total membership	562	
	<i>Finances.</i>		
Jan. 1, 1908.	Balance on hand	\$ 52.21	
	Fees from 32 petitions at \$5.00.....	160.00	
	Donation from Bro. A. Guthrie	5.00	
	Cash for 2 badges sold	3.00	
	Cash for 3 books sold—bound proceedings	3.00	
	Appropriation by Grand Lodge.....	100.00	\$323.21

Disbursements During 1908.

Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer as follows:

1908			
Jan. 22.	No. 157—To Easton & Masterman, cards, etc.	\$ 16.50	
Jan. 22.	No. 158—To Brown, Treacy & Sperry Co..	4.25	
Feb. 18.	No. 159—To E. H. Koerner, engrossing..	11.10	
Feb. 18.	No. 160—To Giles W. Merrill, postage....	15.00	
Apr. 14.	No. 161—To Brown-Treacy Co., envelopes	1.35	
May 8.	No. 162—To Pioneer Press Co., printing..	119.38	
May 8.	No. 163—To Giles W. Merrill, postage....	5.00	\$172.58

Balance of cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1908 \$150.63

We have on hand fifteen copies of bound proceedings of the first volume, the first ten years, which await a customer.

Fraternally submitted,

GILES W. MERRILL,

Secretary.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The Treasurer read his annual report.

Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota:

1908

Jan. 1.	To cash on hand	\$ 52.21	
Jan. 18.	To cash received from G. W. Merrill, Sec..	15.00	
Jan. 23.	" " " " " " " "	135.00	
Feb. 5.	" " " " " " " "	6.00	
April 18.	" " " " " " " "	100.00	
April 28.	" " " " " " " "	5.00	
Dec. 31.	" " " " " " " "	10.00	\$323.21

Disbursements on Warrants.

Jan. 29.	Cash paid out on Warrant No. 157.....	\$ 16.50	
Jan. 29.	" " " " " " " "	158.....	4.25
Feb. 24.	" " " " " " " "	159.....	11.10
Feb. 24.	" " " " " " " "	160.....	15.00
April 18.	" " " " " " " "	161.....	1.35
May 14.	" " " " " " " "	163.....	5.00
May 16.	" " " " " " " "	162.....	119.38 \$172.58

Dec. 31.	Cash on hand to balance	\$150.63
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Summary.

Jan. 1, 1908.	Cash on hand.....	\$ 52.21	
Dec. 31, 1908.	Cash received during 1908.....	271.00	\$323.21

Dec. 31, 1908.	Cash paid out during 1908 on Warrants Nos. 157 to 163	\$172.58	
Dec. 31, 1908.	Cash on hand.....	150.63	\$323.21

All cash is kept on deposit in the Second National Bank of this City in the name of this Association, and is drawn out only on Warrants signed by the President and Secretary and stamped with the seal of this Association.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

ISRAEL B. B. SPRAGUE,

Treasurer.

\$5 was received after five o'clock p. m. on the 31st. Deposited on the 2nd of January.

These reports were referred to the Auditing Committee, who reported "Audited and Approved," and signed Andrew P. Swanstrom and William H. Harries.

The committee appointed one year ago to secure more ample accommodations for our Association, asked for further time before making report, which was granted.

A communication was read from Bro. Archie Guthrie, of St. Paul Lodge No. 3, saying that it was uncertain whether he would be able to be present at the annual feast, and enclosing a check for \$5.00. Also a communication from Bro. M. G. Peters, of Mantorville Lodge No. 11, saying that he could not be present at the feast, and enclosing a gift of one dollar. On motion of the Secretary, a vote of thanks was extended to these veteran brethren for their very acceptable donations.

Petitions were received from twelve eligible brethren for active membership, accompanied by the usual fee, and they were duly elected (see Roster Nos. 682 to 693).

The newly elected brethren were assembled before the altar and were welcomed to membership in our Association by Vet. Bro. Wm. H. Harries, with the usual accompanying ceremonies.

My Brothers:

I have been requested to welcome you into our Veteran Association. The notice is short, but I have been told that my remarks need not be long; I shall therefore be very brief. I bid every one of you a cordial and fraternal welcome into this Masonic Veteran Association, which is unique in its character, and the pioneer organization of this kind; and I am glad to say it is yearly becoming more and more popular with our Masonic Brethren; we have now, I think, over six hundred members.

There was an old preacher once who told some boys of the Bible lesson he was going to read in the morning. The boys, finding the place, glued together the connecting pages. The next morning he read at the bottom of one page, "When Noah was one hundred and twenty years old he took unto himself a wife who was"—then turning the page—"140 cubits long, 40 cubits wide, built of gopher wood, and covered with pitch inside and out." He was naturally puzzled at this. He read it again, verified it, and then said: "My friends, this is the first time I ever met this in the Bible, but I accept this as an evidence of the assertion that we are fearfully and wonderfully made." If I could get you to hold such faith tonight I could proceed cheerfully to the task I otherwise approach with a sense of consecration.

Thoreau, in some place, at some time, said: "A boy gathers material for a temple and when he is thirty years old, concludes to build a woodshed." Unlike this boy, the originators of this Veteran Association builded better than they knew, and our brethren have in their years of joy and adversity, sunshine and shadow, builded char-

acter. There is not, I think much merit in a man who is good because he has to be. It is only those who can meet temptation and overcome it that are entitled to the glory. We should imitate the ancient operative Masons who were enjoined to "Build so that these walls to coming generations, your strength, your skill, your faithfulness, may tell; that all may say as future ages view them, 'The men of old built well, built well.'"

You will find the members of this Association fit companions with whom it will be a pleasure to mingle and converse. Although they have gray hairs, you will find them with young hearts. Here's our kid brother, William P. Murray; he will say perhaps when he next meets you, "What do you know?" and if you should happen to reply, "nothing," he will probably respond that, "you have held your own."

We hope that when our new Masonic Temple is completed in St. Paul, that there will be a room set apart for our Brethren of this Association, where they can meet when they come to this city, for fraternal converse; to listen to the stories of our early pioneer days, from our Brother Murray, and others, and to associate with our urban brothers of the Twin Cities.

I now, in furtherance of our hearty welcome, present to you and each of you this loving cup, filled with the wine of joy and nourishment, and ask each of you to take a drink therefrom, as all our venerable brethren who have preceded you, have done; and this reminds me of an incident that happened down South during the Civil War.

A comrade went into the interior, miles from camp, and obtained a canteen of whiskey, and in going back to camp, he and some friends he met, drank it almost to the bottom. He was desirous of taking back to his tentmate and comrade who shared his blanket with him a little of what he had left. When he met him he said: "Bill, I have got something good here," and handed him the canteen. Bill took it, put it to his lips and began drinking. Jus then, "Jim," his tentmate, thought he would like one more drink himself, so he said, "Bill, that is mighty precious liquor," but Bill was oblivious to any remarks, and let it gurgle down; so "Jim" says, "Bill, that is the best that was ever made; I gave ten dollars for that canteen full;" but "Jim" let it run down his throat until every drop was gone, and handing the empty canteen back, he said, "Bill it was worth it;" so I say that I hope that in joining this Association, you will find that it is worth it. Again I cordially welcome you to this Association.

The President appointed Bros. William H. Harries, Henry R. Wells and A. D. Countryman, a Committee on Nominations to present names of brethren to fill the several offices for the coming year. They reported as follows:

For President, Thos. C. Clark, of Stillwater;
For First Vice President, Wm. Pitt Murray, of St. Paul;
For Second Vice President, Wm. Baird Patton, of Duluth;
For Treasurer, Israel B. B. Sprague, of St. Paul;
For Secretary, Giles W. Merrill, of St. Paul;
For Marshal, George Markert, of St. Paul.
The Association authorized Bro. Harries to cast the unanimous
vote of the Association for these nominees.
The President then gave his address:

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Venerable Brethren:

For the fifth time I deliver my annual address as President of your Venerable body.

It is needless to say that I hold this honor in the same esteem as the illustrious founder of the Association, second to none in the gift of the fraternity of Minnesota.

My only regret is, my inability to live up to the privileges and duties of the position. All that I can say is that I have always depreciated my fitness for the position and have only had to offer my whole hearted support of our Association.

Again, as in the past, I have endeavored to complete the history of our early lodges. All below No. 20 have been heard from except Nos. 8, 14 and 17, and after many years of effort the following is the result. No. 8 will probably be heard from in the near future; Wapahasa reports through its Secretary, that if the Association will pay for it, the Secretary will furnish some statistical information. The Secretary has been informed that if Wapahasa No. 14 wishes to have any recognition in the Archives of our Association, that the material therefor, must be furnished without cost to the Association.

The records of No. 17 at Hokah are in the hands of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Such matters as can be rescued from the ashes of a Lodge, will appear in a future number of our proceedings. What a travesty on the effort to perpetuate the records of our early Lodges is the response to the request for the same. Instead of a hearty co-operation in perpetuating the records of early Masonry, we receive the dictum, we will furnish some statistical information of our Lodge if you will pay for it.

In my opinion no further effort should be made to secure the history of the early Lodges. Eventually we can secure some facts from the records of these Lodges as they are registered in the office of the Grand Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP.

While it is desirable to increase our membership from year to year to at least the extent of fifty new members, we are not prepared at present to receive at our annual meetings all those eligible to membership in our Association, which is now something over two thousand; but, however, it is desirable that we include in our membership those members of our early Lodges whose span of life is nearly run, and whose memories we would like to perpetuate in our records, especially such brethren as are eligible to honorary membership by reason of having been fifty years or more a Master Mason. These necessarily are not confined to the early Lodges, and every Lodge should be proud of the opportunity to enroll on our list any whose names are not already on our roll of honor. Necessarily the older Lodges have the most eligible members.

To give an idea of how many have embraced the opportunity to join our Association, I will give the number of members and the order in which the early Lodges stand, up to and including the year 1907.

	Members.	Order.
St. John's No. 1.....	39	2
Cataract No. 2.....	14	6
Ancient Landmark No. 5.....	65	1
St. Paul No. 3.....	34	3
Hennepin No. 4.....	12	7

No special effort has been made during the last two years to secure members. The time has come prophesied by Brother Metcalf, when membership is sought rather than solicited. However, I shall reiterate that we very much desire to secure the application of those whose span of life is drawing to a close, that we may perpetuate their memories in our records.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In order to divide the work more equitably, I would recommend the appointment of an historian, which lapsed in the death of our brother, W. H. Grant, and a necrologist, as these two items constitute a large part of the work of the Association.

I would further recommend that in order that the best interests of this Association be conserved, that a nominating committee of three be appointed early in the proceedings of our annual meeting by the President.

Further, in years gone by, the Annual Feast of this Association

has been held at the conclusion of our business meeting, and the proceedings connected therewith have been prolonged to such a late hour that many of our members have been obliged to leave before they were concluded, in order to reach their homes. To obviate this, and in my opinion, to present a plan which will prove beneficial to all the members of our Association, I recommend that our Annual Feast be held at the hour of six-thirty p. m., to be followed by the business meeting.

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to our venerable brothers, W. P. Murray, First Vice President; Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, and I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer, for their invaluable services, and to Brother Burningham for his watchful care over our creature comforts, and to all the brethren who have cheerfully contributed in making our annual meetings both pleasant and profitable.

NECROLOGY.

Nothing so admonishes us of our approaching end, as the increasing number of names of our departed brethren presented at each recurring annual meeting. First on the list among those unreported in 1907 is that of

CHARLES C. GOODNOW.

An active member, who joined this Association on Jan. 11, 1894, being No. 110 on our roster.

We have no data in regard to his life except such as is furnished by his application.

From that we learn that he was born in Worcester, Mass., on Aug. 1, 1845. That he was a publisher by profession, was made a Master Mason in Blue Earth Lodge No. 57 on Feb. 2d, 1872; at the time of his application was a member of Quarry Lodge No. 148, Pipestone, Minn., Triune Chapter of Pipestone, and Luverne Commandery, Luverne, Minn. He served in the Civil war as a private of Co. "K," 30th Wis. Infantry; also as register of deeds of Pipestone Co., Minn.; was a Presbyterian in religious belief, and died at Seattle, Washington, some time early in 1907.

BENJAMIN R. J. THAXTER.

An active member, was born at Machias, Maine, and died at Minneapolis, Minn., March 4, 1907.

He was made a Master Mason in Minneapolis Lodge No. 19,

March 1, 1869, and remained a member of the same to the time of his death.

He was a member of St. John's Chapter No. 9, Minneapolis Council No. 2, Zion Commandery No. 2, Minneapolis Consistory No. 2 and Zurah Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.

He served in the war of the Rebellion and was a Congregationalist in religious belief.

NEWTON TYLER HUME.

No. 438, an active member, was born in Riga, N. Y., Aug. 1, 1831.

He was made a Master Mason in Eureka Lodge No. 366, Union City, Penn., Jan. 18, 1866.

At the time of his application, June 30, 1902, he was a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, St. John's Chapter and Zion Commandery K. T., all of Minneapolis. He was a Past Master, Presbyterian in religious belief, and died in Minneapolis, March 29, 1907.

JONATHAN D. SPRAGUE.

No. 129, an active member, was born in Murray, Orleans Co., New York, March 6, 1848, was made a Master Mason in Murray Lodge No. 380, Holly, N. Y., Dec. 23, 1873, and died in the same place July 5, 1907.

He was made a member of Mt. Lebanon Chapter No. 47 and Bethel Commandery No. 19, both of Morris, Minn. No other particulars in regard to his life are available.

AID COLLINS.

No. 377, an active member, was born in Brown Co., Ohio. Initiated in New Vienna Lodge No. 160, Jan. 2, 1872, and made a Master Mason on April 29, 1874.

At the time of his application to our Association, he was a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Hillsboro Chapter No. 40 and Columbus Council No. 8, both of Ohio.

He was a member of the band of the 5th Regt. Virginia Volunteer Infantry, and a private in Co. "K," 162d Ohio Volunteer Infantry during the Civil War. Unitarian in belief and a member of John A. Rawlins Post No. 126, G. A. R., Minnesota.

He died in Minneapolis, Nov. 7, 1907.

FRANKLIN A. WELLES.

Hon. No. 47, was born in Pompey, New York, Dec. 3, 1831, and died Nov. 11, 1907, at Plainview, Minn.

He was initiated Feb. 21, 1853, and raised a Master Mason in March of the same year.

At the time of his application he was a member of Illustrious Lodge No. 63 of Plainview, Minn., Relief Chapter R. A. M., Wabasha, and Lake City Commandery No. 6, at Lake City, Minn.

He had held the office of W. M. for five terms, was past High Priest, and an Episcopalian by profession.

Descended from the early pioneers of this country, Sir Thomas Welles, a Colonial Governor of Connecticut, being his ancestor, and his great-grandfather on his mother's side being a captain in the Revolution, he came of good stock.

His early years were spent in teaching in his native state and in the schools of Wisconsin and Minnesota. In 1861 he moved to Sparta, Wis., and in 1863 came to Wabasha County, Minnesota, and a few years later to a farm in the vicinity of Plainview, Minnesota, and still later became a resident of that city.

He was the first Worshipful Master of Illustrious Lodge No. 63, being one of the founders. During President Cleveland's administration he served as Postmaster and held other offices of trust.

Genial, courteous, with a pleasing personality, he identified himself with all the interests of his adopted home, and passed away leaving a record of modest but faithful service which endeared him to all who knew him.

TISDALE EDDY FELLOWS.

No. 448, an active member, was born in Stillwater, New York, on Dec. 21, 1845, and died in Stillwater, Minn., Feb. 1, 1908.

Brother Fellows came of good stock, and was a member of a brilliant family. John R. Fellows, of New York, was a brother, the wife of the late Hon. J. N. Castle, of Stillwater, a sister; another brother, W. H. Fellows, has recently followed him to the "Far Country," and he is survived by two sisters. Coming to Stillwater, Minn., in the late '70's, he engaged in the lumber business with the late firm of Hersey, Bean & Brown, and with varying connections, followed this line of business until the time of his death, at that time being the manager of the Consolidated Lumber Co. of Stillwater.

He had been married twice, surviving both wives, but leaving no children.

He was a charter member of Co. "K," First Regt. M. N. G., in which he served six years.

An adherent and valued member of the Episcopal Church, and a respected citizen.

Made a Mason in Mount Zion Lodge No. 311, of Troy, N. Y., on Feb. 3, 1875; on coming to Stillwater, he affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 1, of which he was W. M. in 1883. A member of Washington R. A. Chapter No. 17, in which he served as King, he passed to his rest in an esteem which was voiced locally as follows:

"Tisdale E. Fellows was a light, yes a model of good citizenship. He was one of those who hewed to the line. During all his residence here, he was a force for good; modest, unassuming, a thinker, his influence has always been for the right. His education had been liberal and his literary attainments were not small, the latter he utilized when occasion called, and they were invariably made the vehicle to serve some good purpose.

He leaves behind him many friends, who have all these years appreciated his sterling qualities, and who deeply regret the passing of their friend, comrade and brother.

OWEN T. SWETT.

No. 194, was born in Limerick, York Co., Maine, on Sept. 27, 1831, and died in Minneapolis, Feb. 19, 1908.

Initiated Jan. 15, passed Feb. 7, and raised Feb. 21, 1859, in Cataract No. 2, he became a member of St. Anthony Chapter No. 3, Adoniram Council No. 5, Darius Commandery No. 7, and Zurah Temple, all of Minneapolis.

He had served as Treasurer of Cataract Lodge for sixteen years, of his Chapter for six years, and of the Commandery for twenty-five years.

He came to St. Anthony Falls in 1856 and for more than half a century was identified with the business interests of Minneapolis.

He was the oldest director of the First National Bank, had served as alderman, and with his son conducted the largest mercantile establishment of the kind on the East Side.

He was an adherent of and earnest worker in the First Congregational Church. He is survived by a wife, a son, Arthur H., and a daughter, Mrs. George T. Huey.

BRADLEY PETTIE CHENEY.

No. 257, died at Eden, Minn., March 25, 1908.

The following sketch was prepared by his friend and fellow Masonic worker, P. G. M. A. D. Countryman.

Bradley Pettie Cheney was born in Washington, Orange

County, Vermont, October 26, 1832. In 1856 he came to Minnesota, and settled near Mantorville, Dodge County, where he lived for some years, when he removed to Pine Island, Minnesota, and was the proprietor of the stage line running between that place and Red Wing for several years. In 1877, he removed to Appleton, Minn., and settled on a farm near town, where he resided until 1896, when he returned to Dodge County, and conducted his farm at Eden until his death, which occurred on Wednesday, March 25th, 1908. He had a pair of young horses in a stall, which were quarreling. He went into the stall between the horses to quiet them, when, in some manner unknown, he was knocked down and trampled upon by the infuriated animals, being frightfully mangled, and dying from his injuries in a few minutes after being removed.

He was made a Mason in Mystic Tie Lodge No. 37, at Pine Island, Minn., June 28th, 1865, afterwards becoming a member of Herman No. 41, Zumbrota. He was the founder and first Master of Appleton Lodge No. 137, and was an active worker and took a keen interest in Masonic matters.

He was a man of rough exterior, but had a kind heart and many friends. He was twice married, and was the father of three children, all of whom preceded him to the other shore.

He was buried at Appleton on March 29, by Appleton Lodge, the full Masonic service being used, and the funeral was attended by more than fifty Masons.

(He was also at one time a member of Zumbrota Royal Arch Chapter, but I think had been dropped from the rolls.)

CHESTER GOSS HIGBEE.

No. 70, a prominent and beloved member of this association, which he early joined, passed away April 3, 1908, at his home in St. Paul.

Born at Pike, Wyoming Co., New York, Aug. 5, 1835, at the age of eleven he moved with his parents to Jefferson, Wis. He received his early education in the public schools, and later taught school and attended the Academies at Fort Atkinson, Fox Lake and River Falls, Wis. He studied for his profession at Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago, and also at the college of Physicians and Surgeons at St. Louis, and later at the Clinics of Berlin, Birmingham and London.

He was regarded as one of the leading men in his school, the Homeopathic.

In 1871 he organized the first Homeopathic Society in St. Paul. He had been Vice-President of the American Institute of Homeop-

shooters (Berdans U. S. S. S.) and was discharged for disability Oct. 22, 1862.

He had served as Notary Public in Wisconsin for two and one-half years, and also as a member of the St. Paul Board of Education. In religious belief he was an "old style" Universalist. By predilection an historian. His life work was found as Assistant Historian of the Minnesota Historical Society, which he served as custodian of the newspaper files for thirty-one years.

He was not a familiar sight to the frequenters of the rooms of the Society, but as a faithful custodian of the same and as an epitome of the history of the State, as recorded in his charge, he was a veritable Encyclopedia of information pertaining to the history of the State. A gentleman of the old school, courteous in manner, devoted to his work, a valuable asset to the State, he has passed to his reward known by few, respected by many, his life work well done.

JOHN YOUNG REEVE.

Hon. No. 43, was born at Morristown, N. J., April 4, 1820. The youngest of six children of Ezekiel and Mary Young Reeve, both parents dying when he was about a year old, when he became the care of his Grandmother Young and later of his uncle, John Young, a leather merchant of Newark, N. J., where he learned the harness maker's trade. At the age of twenty-three he moved to Mt. Vernon, Ohio, where he was made a Mason in Mt. Zion Lodge No. 9 in 1845. In Mt. Vernon he learned the shoe-making trade. In 1846 he married Ellen Jane McGrady and became the father of seven children.

In 1879 he came to St. Paul where he has since made his home, and where he died on Sept. 13, 1908, at the age of eighty-eight years, five months and ten days. He was in the employ of the Gotzian Shoe Company for twenty years, but owing to failing health, gave up the trade in his eightieth year.

He enlisted in Co. "K," 147th Ohio Vol. Inf., May, 1864, and was discharged in September, 1864. He was a member of Garfield Post No. 8, G. A. R., Dept. of Minnesota.

He served as a Justice of the Peace in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and was a Methodist by persuasion.

A shoe-maker by trade, but a gentleman by instinct, he was a good citizen, indulgent parent and faithful friend; he revered Christianity, and held Masonry in the highest esteem. He was a valued member of this Association.

FREDERICK WILLIAM LULEY.

No. 335, was born in Germany in 1830. He was made a Master Mason in Ancient Landmark Lodge, May 30, 1872.

He had no other Masonic affiliation. At an early age he came to this country and engaged in the abattoir business in Buffalo, New York.

Shortly after the Civil war he came to St. Paul and established the Luley Abattoir Co., 567 North Chestnut St., which business he continued until his death, which occurred very suddenly on Nov. 23, 1908. He leaves a widow, one son and three daughters, beside his brethren, to mourn his loss.

JOHN ALBERT SCHLENER.

No. 281, was born in Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 24, 1856, and died near Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 5, 1908.

Made a Master Mason in Minneapolis No. 19, Aug. 1, 1877, a member of St. John's Chapter No. 9, Minneapolis Council No. 2, Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Zurah Temple, all of Minneapolis.

An active member of the fraternity from the date of his raising, the list of offices held, and of his Masonic activities would fill many pages. Suffice it to say that he had served through all the subordinate offices and had risen to be Grand Commander K. T., Minnesota, and Deputy Inspector General A. A. S. R. In all of the offices held and in every branch of Masonry in which his activity was manifest, he added luster to the order.

An active participant in municipal affairs, he had served on the Park, Library and School Boards. Brother Schlener was born to a life of service, and into the fifty-three years of his life he had crowded more work for the order and for humanity than is given to most men. Survived by a wife and two children, a mother and one brother, he is mourned not only by them, but by the brethren of our Association and the order throughout the State.

WILLIAM D. CORNISH.

No. 227, was born at Middleboro, Mass., April 29, 1849, and died in Chicago, Ill., Nov. 7, 1908.

The son of William Otis and Susanna Bennett Cornish, in his eighth year he removed with his parents to New York. He read law in the office of Hotchkiss & Seymony, of Binghamton, and was admitted to the bar in his twenty-first year.

He was made a Mason in King Solomon's Lodge No. 44, at Shakopee, Minn., March 25, 1872, in which he held the office of J. W. and Secretary, also G. S. B. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Born in Massachusetts, Brother Lincoln removed to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1849, where he married Miss Lois L. Bingham. In 1855 he resigned his position as Master Mechanic of the C. C. & L. Ry. of Cleveland, and removed to Shakopee, Minnesota, and erected a saw mill, and later went into the manufacture of lime.

He was the first station agent for the Minnesota Valley Railroad, now the Omaha, at Shakopee. He removed to Muncie, Ind., in 1905, where his death occurred as stated. As a tribute to his memory and out of respect to his son, E.B. Lincoln, general manager of the company, the traffic of the Muncie & Portland Traction Co. was suspended for the period of three minutes, at the time of his burial.

In accordance with the suggestion of the President, in his address, the Secretary was authorized to employ such assistance as might be necessary in mailing out notices of meetings, and of "Proceedings" and other necessary clerical work.

The Association also instructed the President to appoint an Historian and Necrologist, if advisable.

The President appointed in this connection, Bro. Andrew P. Swanstrom of St. Paul, as Historian and as Necrologist, and Rev. Samuel G. Smith, D. D., as Chaplain.

Receipts at the session on Wednesday evening:

From 12 members received	\$60.00
" 2 brothers not eligible	10.00
" Bro. Archie Guthrie	5.00
" Bro. Melvin G. Peters	1.00
" 1 copy Proceedings sold	1.00
Total	\$77.00

The general business being finished at about 9 o'clock, the brethren to the number of about one hundred and sixty repaired to the banquet room, to participate in the gastronomic duties of the occasion. Having discharged these duties to the satisfaction and comfort of all present, the regulation cob pipes were lighted, and the brethren prepared themselves to enjoy the literary and more intellectual part of the program.

The principal address of the evening was given by Rev. Bro. Harry Noble Wilson, D. D., pastor of Central Presbyterian Church of St. Paul, as follows:

Mr. Toastmaster and Venerable Brethren:

In the presence of the members of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota on this your seventeenth annual reunion, it would seem to be most fitting to speak of that for which our ancient Organization has ever stood: Man's Supremacy and his Inherent Greatness. To preserve that greatness, to lift up man to a higher plane of being, achievement and purpose, Masonry has ever toiled in ancient times and in modern times.

For this sublime purpose Masonry has made large use of that which is deep implanted in every human breast, the repugnance toward solitary living. For man has gregarious instincts. The whale moves its great bulk slowly through icy seas alone; the lion roams over the African desert without a companion; the Greeks saw the great-winged eagle cleaving the pure air in solitary flight, and called it the "Olorus," the "Lone-Flyer;" and in the awful solitudes of the Andes the great Condor sits companionless. But man resembles none of these. He loves the company of others. He delights to find in human society both pleasure and recreation; and oppressed with sorrow and weighted down by woe eagerly he leaves his solitary lodging to hasten to the gathering place of men. Not only of the marriage relation, but of every relation in life are the words of the Almighty true: "It is not good for man to be alone." He needs friends to help him bear his sorrow; he needs companions to take part in his pleasures; he needs those who are bound to him by various ties to enable him to walk upright and boldly along the ever-changing grades of the path of life.

So from the very earliest times we find men uniting themselves into companies; grouping themselves into tribes; organizing into associations for many and varied purposes. To give strength, to obtain protection, to preserve freedom, to obtain happiness, to aid in the forming of noble manhood and exalted character, for these and many reasons more have men bound themselves together by pledge and promise and oath.

Thus for religious purposes did the divinely appointed Church spring into being. Thus for reasons many and exalted did our ancient Institution find its origin.

If the purpose of the Institution in which you brethren have devotedly served for more than two decades at least, if that purpose be the exalted one of working in the quarry of life with well-adapted tools for the hewing out of character; is man, the object of such thought and work and care of sufficient worth to repay for all this care and labor?

The Psalmist believed so, for writing by inspiration he says: "Thou hast made him a little lower than God." Joseph Parker thought so, for he says: "Man is the second name on the register.

to realize his selfhood. He was meant to grasp the fact that he was king over every faculty, and passion, and impulse. It was intended by the Almighty that each man should say to himself: Here am I, created by God for a definite purpose; set down amid a billion and a half of other men and women, exactly like none other of all the fifteen hundred millions swarming upon the globe today; therefore will I have the self-respect that is the corner-stone of all virtues; therefore will I make the best possible use of the peculiar faculties which are mine; therefore will I develop my capabilities and all the faculties of mind and body to the utmost; therefore will I consecrate them all to the service of humanity.

We have often had it repeated that the great purpose of Masonry is the development of character. From the beginning our Institution has been a great school for instruction in the things that make a man. And I am aware that tonight, you veterans in this School of the Mystic Tie value more than all else the hard-earned, lessons that have had their fruitage in the development of riper manhood. You well remember that Horace Greeley, editor of the New York Tribune, died broken hearted, neglected, almost deserted, and that his dying words were: "Fame is a vapor; popularity an accident; riches take wings and fly away; those that cheer today will curse tomorrow; only one thing endures—character."

These words, if true, are vitally important. They are worth consideration for they come from the lips of a great man who expressed them in a solemn moment as representing the totality of life as he found it. "Life is a vapor." Go into the tombs of Egyptian monarchs. In pictures of brilliant hues, by hundreds of thousands they tell of the achievements and fame of the one who lies there entombed. But Time, with careless hand, has erased the memory of all attendant circumstances, and we smile at what we call the vain-glory of the one who thought thus to make his name and fame endure.

The great naturalist Humboldt, while traveling in South America, came across a parrot, the only living thing that could speak the language of a once powerful tribe. The members of that tribe had been sadly reduced by war. The parrot was owned by one of the few remaining tribesmen and was taught the language. A pestilence swept away the human remnant, and a bird, which knew not the meaning of the words it chattered, alone kept alive the memory of that once powerful race. What an example of the nothingness of human achievement.

"Popularity is an accident." Horace Greeley had been immensely popular. He shared with his newspaper universal esteem. His commonsense words were read and repeated from Maine to Oregon, in the cultured city and on the rude frontier. Towns were

named for him. He was looked upon as an oracle of wisdom. Crowds came to hear him lecture, and he frequently made in one winter's course of public lectures the sum of \$6,000, an almost fabulous sum in that day for such work. Yes, he had tasted all the sweets of popularity. But more than once he had had that experience which Mark Antony attributes to Caesar:

"But yesterday,
The word of Caesar might have stood against the world.
Now lies he there, and none so poor
To do him reverence."

More than once had he passed through that bitter experience which caused him on his deathbed to give utterance to the sorrow of a broken heart—a sorrow more bitter than his death-pangs: "Those who cheer today will curse tomorrow."

And said he, "Riches take wings."

No need to emphasize that truth. No need to lay stress upon this utterance in a city where in the past generation many a goodly fortune has been made and spent. No need to tell you Masonic Veterans that, who here have seen more than one man with wealth flowing in upon him one year, and when twelve months have rolled around, actually penniless. **Not everyone** has the remarkable faculty of getting rid of money such as Guy Bolding possessed, of whom it was said: "If you had turned a Euphrates River of Gold into his pockets at morning, they would have been as dry as the great Sahara Desert at noon."

But we have all seen enough of life to be able to nod assent to the saying of the Book of Books: "Riches certainly make themselves wings. They fly away as an eagle toward heaven."

If fame, popularity, riches—all such things are transient, evanescent and fleeting, what then is the enduring and permanent? Is it not what Horace Greeley said—surely he ought to have known: "Only one thing endures: 'Character.' Not what a man has makes him great, but what a man is—there lies his true greatness."

And because Masonry is one of the factors in the world today for the development of character, therefore I am glad to join with you Veterans in your expressions of allegiance to our honorable and ancient institution, for

"The world wants men, large-hearted, manly men,
Men who shall join its chorus and prolong
The Psalm of Labor and the Psalm of Love.
The age wants heroes, heroes who shall dare
To struggle in the solid ranks of truth;
To clutch the monster error by the throat;

There comes new cares and sorrows,

Every year:

Dark days and darker morrows,

Every year:

The ghosts of dead loves haunt us,

The ghosts of changed friends taunt us,

And disappointments daunt us,

Every year.

Of the loves and sorrows blended,

Every year;

Of the charms of friendship ended,

Every year;

Of the ties that still might bind me,

Until Time to Death resigns me,

My infirmities remind me,

Every year.

Ah! how sad to look before us,

Every year;

While the cloud grows darker o'er us,

Every year;

When we see the blossoms faded,

That to bloom we might have aided,

And immortal garlands braided,

Every year.

To the Past go more dead faces,

Every year;

As the Loved leave vacant places,

Every year;

Everywhere the sad eyes meet us,

In the evening's dusk they greet us,

And to come to them entreat us,

Every year.

"You are growing old," they tell us,

"Every year;

"You are more alone," they tell us,

"Every year;

"You can win no new affection,

"You have only recollection,

"Deeper sorrow and dejection,

"Every year."

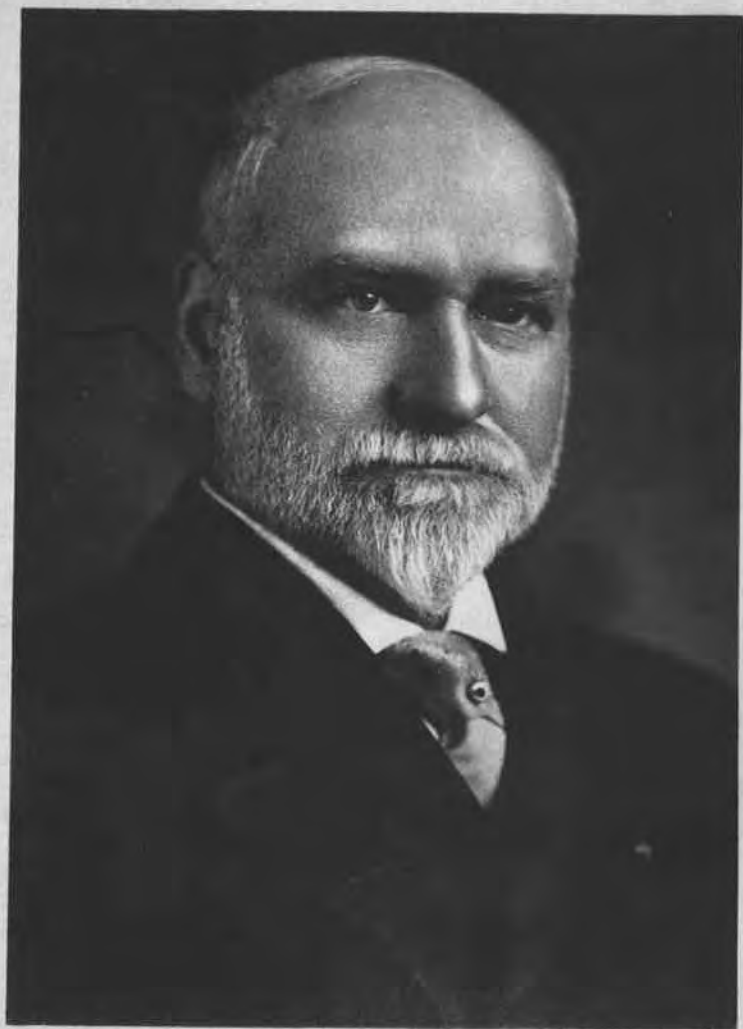
Too true!—Life's shores are shifting,
 Every year;
And we are seaward drifting,
 Every year;
Old places, changing, fret us,
The living more forget us,
There are fewer to regret us,
 Every year,

But the truer life draws nigher,
 Every year;
And its Morning-star climbs higher,
 Every year;
Earth's hold on us grows slighter,
And the heavy burden lighter,
And the Dawn Immortal brighter,
 Every year.

Our life is less worth living,
 Every year;
And briefer our thanksgiving,
 Every year;
And Love, grown faint and fretful,
With lips but half regretful,
Averts its eyes forgetful,
 Every year.

ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA.—Continued from 1908.

Cert. No.	NAMES	RESIDENCE (Minnesota)	Date Made Master Mason	Date Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP		
					Lodge	No.	State
670	Morris Mahler Wachenheimer.	St. Paul	April 7, 1887	April 14, 1908	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.
671	Clarence Edward Stone	St. Paul	Dec. 13, 1883	May 8, 1908	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.
672	John Christian Luther	Minneapolis	Feb. 28, 1887	Dec. 31, 1908	Ark.	176	Minn.
673	Augustus M. P. Cowley	White Bear	Sept. 19, 1876	Dec. 31, 1908	Ancient Landmark	3	Minn.
674	William Roberts Nicol	St. Paul	Sept. 15, 1885	Jan. 19, 1909	St. Paul	112	Minn.
675	Chas. Bernardow Benis	Minneapolis	April 15, 1884	April 19, 1909	Khurum	163	Minn.
676	Oran S. Pine	St. Paul	Jan. 10, 1886	Jan. 19, 1909	Summit	185	Minn.
677	Chas. Newton Akers	St. Paul	April 13, 1883	Jan. 19, 1909	Midway	176	Minn.
678	Chas. Henry Brinsmaid.	St. Paul	Feb. 21, 1883	Jan. 19, 1909	Ark.	143	Minn.
679	John Mitchell	Ortonville	Aug. 29, 1876	Jan. 19, 1909	Lake View	211	Minn.
680	John McCallum	Clintonville	June 13, 1887	Jan. 19, 1909	Friendship	1	Minn.
681	Ira E. King	St. Paul	April 10, 1887	Jan. 20, 1909	Relief	108	Minn.
682	Albert S. Palmerlee	Dodge Center	Dec. 28, 1882	Jan. 20, 1909	Summit	163	Minn.
683	S. Pope Spates	St. Paul	Oct. 1874	Jan. 20, 1909	Summit	163	Minn.
684	George M. Dempsie	Minneapolis	June 4, 1884	Jan. 20, 1909	Minnesota	224	Minn.
685	Geo. Morton Coon	St. Paul	Sept. 7, 1878	Jan. 20, 1909	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.
686	Kosuth Spates	Dodge Center	Sept. 7, 1878	Jan. 20, 1909	Relief	108	Minn.
687	Erwin E. Bromley	Akeley	Dec. 18, 1886	Jan. 20, 1909	Berry	259	Minn.
688	Friend Ivy Whitlock	Bellevue	April 11, 1876	Jan. 20, 1909	Rough Ashlar	177	Minn.
689	George Roberts Lewis	St. Paul	Mar. 21, 1885	Jan. 20, 1909	Summit	163	Minn.
690	Charles A. Moody	Warroad	Mar. 21, 1885	Jan. 20, 1909	Warroad	267	Minn.
691	August Johan Anderson	Lindstrom	April 17, 1887	Jan. 20, 1909	Zion	55	Minn.
692	Peter Geddes	Stillwater	Oct. 17, 1887	Jan. 29, 1909	St. Johns	51	Minn.
693	Arthur Henry Steen	Cottage Grove	Nov. 7, 1881	Jan. 29, 1909	St. Johns	51	Minn.
694	Henry W. Wissinger	Stillwater		Jan. 29, 1909	St. Johns	51	Minn.
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Maternally yours,
William P. Roberb
Grand Master.

